

MCCSF
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
110 Gough Street, Suite 201A
January 22, 2008

In attendance:

MCCSF Board: Troy B, Barbara B, Steve J, Adrienne K, Bill L

Absent: Kelly M, Dawnne W

Also present: Elisabeth M, Stephanie S

A quorum was present.

Meeting Called to Order at 6:35 p.m.

Troy Brunet opened the meeting with prayer.

December Board Meeting Minutes

Vote to approve the December Minutes.

(Motion: Bill/Steve. Board voted unanimously to approve.)

Reports

Finance - Bill, filling in for Kelly, reported that we lost \$3K in December but finished the year in the black by almost \$10K. This was due to the rebudgeting that was done in March, our efforts to tighten expenses, and a \$50K bequest. All payables are current. We have \$65K in operating reserve and \$17K in operating cash. We have flat lined the budget until Lea arrives. We will have a budget and finance forum in March or April.

Pledges - Barbara reported that 215 people have pledged for a total of \$220K.

Worship - Stephanie reported that, beginning next Sunday, the 8:30 service has been temporarily suspended because we can't support it right now. People are interested in the bible study group, which will meet at 1:00 on Sunday afternoons, led by Jakob H.

The welcome cards will be made a little larger, still using recycled paper. We need to develop a follow-up procedure to the question, "Who have you missed?" Troy volunteered to help with follow-up.

While six scholarships had initially been requested for the choir tour, only four people now need help, and only one of those needs a full scholarship of \$1,000. Stephanie requests a contribution from MCC of \$150-\$250 toward the commissioning of a work by a gay composer to be performed at the festival by mixed choruses. She will need a decision from the board on this within the next three months. Also, the Occidental Glee Club is returning on Saturday, May 31

to do a fundraiser for the gala chorus.

Administration - Stephanie has been a mainstay in our transition from December into January.

Lea is driving to California and her boxes are scheduled to arrive next week. Her installation service will be Sunday, April 20th in the late afternoon at St. Gregory's of Nyssa at Mariposa and De Haro Streets. Lea and Stephanie will work on worship, and a committee will work on a fundraiser before or after the 20th, in addition to a general reception after the service.

An IT group will be convened to look at the recommendations from our IT consultant. Barbara would like suggestions of individuals who might join this committee.

Vote to receive these reports.

(Motion: Troy/Barbara. Board voted unanimously to receive.)

New Business

Congregational meeting - The date has been changed to Sunday, February 17th.

Lay Delegates – The application due date is February 1. So far we have two candidates, and we hope to have three or four.

Parsonage allowance request

Vote to approve the parsonage allowance.

(Steve/Troy. Board voted unanimously to approve.)

Term of new board members - Following up on a suggestion from Terri, a vote was taken to start the term of the new board on March 11 when new officers will be elected/appointed.

(Motion: Bill/Adrienne. Board voted unanimously to approve.)

Board member resignation - The board acknowledged the resignation of Chris Wagner from the board, effective December 31, 2007.

Old business

Recia Y proposal - The board discussed Recia's proposal to provide pastoral support to the clergy. Recia will research this further (what do other churches do?), and we will bring the proposal to Lea for consideration.

Seminarian financial needs – The intern stipend ends when the semester ends, but they remain with us from June through August.

- ❖ Action item for next board meeting: Should the interns continue to receive a monthly stipend through the summer?

In the future, the board should determine in advance how much financial support will be provided for the whole year.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50.

A closed meeting with Elisabeth Middleberg followed.

Minutes prepared by:

Adrienne Krug, Clerk
MCCSF Board of Directors