

MCCSF
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
150 Eureka St.
November 19, 2009

MCCSF Board Members Present: Rev. Lea B, Michael C, Lewis D, Rick R, Glenn S

Board Members Absent: Brian J, Dan L, Kelly M

Guests Present: Greg H, Bill B, Marshall J

October minutes approved unanimously by Board via email.

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was opened with prayer by Lea at 6:40 P.M.

Congregational Survey

Lewis and Greg presented the draft survey, which many Board members tested online this week.

- Michael suggested asking about the addition of Thanksgiving and Christmas services (perhaps in a question about special days, like Holy Week).
- Lewis moved to accept the survey with the addition of Michael's suggestion. Lea seconded. Approved unanimously.
- The Board thanked Greg for his work on the survey.

Pastor's Report

Lea reported on the following:

- Organized and led All-Church Retreat (profit of \$1,650)
- MCF work on possible new program; coordination of MCF fall/winter efforts with Paula Fraser
- Submitted an essay for publication in an upcoming theological anthology
- Work on independent reading course for D.Min. degree
- Preparation for an Epiphany concert Debussy piano duet with Adrienne Krug
- Coordination of all details related to guest preachers
- Met with Rev. Paul F and Sara M from St. Gregory's Episcopal
- Fasted/wrote letter to political leaders
- Met with 40th Anniversary Team
- Advent planning
- Work with Ross H and Vicki B on 2010 Pledge Campaign
- Negotiated 2010 tithe agreement with the denomination
- Attended Pillars dinners and sent acknowledgements to donors and hosts
- Work with Paul S and Ken K on Steindal Seminary House
- Several counseling/pastoral care appointments
- Numerous hospital visits to congregants
- Fundraising: Divaversity was a fabulous success - \$4,115 raised. Despite challenges, Pet Calendar has brought in \$1,264 so far; both fall Pillars Dinners

- were sold out
- Social justice efforts: food drive in October, blanket/sleeping bag collection in November; homeless children's gift drive (goal is 40 more children this year)
 - Lay involvement in everything from preaching to fundraising to programs on spirituality to congregational care

2010 Pledge Drive Status

Board members will call former pledgers to ask if they're pledging again this year.

Co-Lay Leader's Report

Rick reported:

- *110 Gough*: No renter yet. Glenn suggested that we periodically mention it in church to see if anyone has any leads on possible renters. Michael suggested using our Web site and Facebook page.
- *Lea's review*: Committee still working on criteria. Review should happen by year end.
- *Congregational meeting review*: Materials have been prepared and are available. Glenn moved to officially commend Kelly for her hard work on putting it all together. Seconded by Rick; approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Brian presented the Treasurer's Report for October (via email), which showed a surplus of \$1,502. The deficit for the year is \$31,000.

Lay Delegate Position & Compensation

- 2010 budget includes \$500 per delegate for travel to regional and general conferences.
- Glenn moved to accept Lay Delegate job responsibilities and that they be put in a separate identifiable place on the Web site, with discussion of other ways to disseminate the information. Lewis seconded. Approved unanimously.

Offering Counting Process & Approved List

Glenn moved to accept the procedures and list of counters. Michael seconded. Approved unanimously.

Review Decisions & Action Items

See above.

Executive Session

An executive session was held.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Minutes prepared by: Lewis DeSimone, Clerk
MCCSF Board of Directors

