



## GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Nov. 18, 2019

Kathy Breazeale	Jim Merk	Bob McKnight
Roger Curless	Bruce Lawrie	Pastor John
Wally Loague	Absent:	Mary Terrell

### **Worship**

Roger led us in *A Psalm Before Beginning Work* by Fr. Edward Hayes. To You, O Divine One, from whose hands come the work of creation, so artfully designed, we pray that this work we are about to do may be done in companionship with you. ....We come to you, Beloved, with ready hands.

**Minutes** of our last meeting are posted on the website.

### **Congregational Conclave Review**

John will be sending out a summary report of this meeting to the whole congregation. It is important to remember that only a straw poll was taken at the meeting and that no decision has to be made in the near future. We have time ahead of us for our discernment process. More conversation is needed. Pastor John will be forming a small group to help us form our process and specific conversations. We also need to appreciate all opinions -- from those that won't want to be a part of our denomination or elect to accept the Traditional Plan or those that choose the resistance option.

### **Process for Budget and Financial Plan for 2020**

Before a budget can be finalized we will need a year-end estimate of the return on our investments, need to contact family units who have not yet returned their Stewardship pledges, and wait to hear from the NIC as to how much our 2020 apportionments will be (with the removal of payments to the General Conference). Our expenses are being held to approximately the same as last year. We also need to take a look at possible revenue ideas for next year. Pastor John would like to engage creative people to look at our space sharing options. We will finalize as much as we can at the December meeting.

### **Items to keep before us updates – 6 Planning areas**

#1 – Chapel reinvigorating – The new floor will be installed Nov. 20. Jim Merk is looking at cabinetry from IKEA. A decision still has to be made about which chairs to order. If possible, we would like to see if there are any members of the original Colwell family that could be invited to the Chapel Re-Dedication when it is finished. We will ask members of the congregation through the ENote and newsletter.

#2 – Congregational Gatherings – The conversations about our role in the Denominations decisions and guidelines will be forthcoming as mentioned above.

#3 – January 2020 – We will be keeping the congregation informed with information we receive.

#4 - Communication process – We need to actively investigate and seek a process of acquiring the abilities to live stream sermons and videos on our website and social media. Roger will contact Ann Marie, the NIC Communication person to see what her recommendations are.

#5 – Building Community – nothing to report at this time.

#6 – Long Range Strategy – Should we form a taskforce to help us with a Visioning process like we did 6 years ago. The question? Where will Wesley be in 5 years?

**Trustees** – Our Building Engineer, Rick will be retiring. His knowledge and many years of work in our facility will be hard to replace.

### **Pastoral Evaluation and Action Plan**

The Governing Board excused Pastor John and then acted as the SPRC Committee as a whole to review Pastor John's performance, leadership and growth. The results and action plan will be discussed with him at the December meeting.

Kathy Breazeale closed the meeting with prayer.

**NEXT MEETING IS MONDAY, Dec. 16, 2019 at 1:00 PM.**