

# Meeting Minutes for November 12, 2017

 Members Present: Bruce Fielder, Tom Nichols, Markus Lang, Larry Miller, Gerald Schoen, Rosalie Falcon, Keralee Clay
Members Absent: Michael Timcisko
Committee Chairs/Members Present: Mary Kay Wells
Guests: Reverend Nell Newton, April Myers, Jim Taylor, Tricia Regan

# The Meeting was called to order by President Bruce Fielder at 12:37 pm

# **Approval of minutes**

The minutes of the August 2017 meeting were approved and accepted with the comment that we all be aware of any overspending.

## Announcements

Parents' Night Out will be held on December 15. A yard sign will be placed in front of the Fellowship inviting neighbors to participate. This will be held from 7:00 to 9:30 pm. A charge of \$5.00 will be made for all who take part.

## Reports

## Membership Committee

New members will be presented on November 19. New members will sign the membership book during the service. The new members are: Chase Peterson, George Peterson, Adam Gonzales, Paul Katz, Ron Savage, Jared Prater, Jacklen Prater, Drew Grimes, Ruby Escobal, Emily Escobal, Stacie Terry, Rocky Terry.

#### Finance Committee

The financial report for October was presented by Mary Kay Wells and was accurate. Mary Kay asked that the minutes reflect her concern that we need to work hard to stick to our budget. Each committee chair should be made aware that expenses need to be controlled. Keralee Clay mentioned that we need to address revenue issues as an educational item. February will be Stewardship Month. Bruce Fielder will send out letters telling of the Fellowship's accomplishments and the need to meet revenue goals. A reminder will be included that these last months of the year are an appropriate time to made tax deductible donations.

Rosalie will send April a weekly letter to April on giving.

## Caring Committee

Four cards were sent out in October.

## **Religious** Education

An online job posting has been made on Amarillo College and WTAMU to replace Rachel Brown. This posting will be open until December 15.

# A motion was made by Bruce to have our insurance company do any needed background checks. The motion was seconded and approved.

#### **OWL Program**

- We are currently looking at offering a one-day workshop of two to three hours to provide basic information for seventh through ninth grades.
- A goal of February through May for providing OWL education for eighth and ninth grade classes.
- We may possibly offer another two to three-hour workshop for tenth through twelfth grades.
- We need to keep attracting networking ideas for advertising. Services like The Bridge, TPC Youth Office, OAC churches and others.

#### Minister's Report to the Board

- These letters are to keep the Board up-to-date.
- We want people to support buying more hymnals for the congregation to use.
- The Amarillo Police Department (APD) will do a walkthrough of our premises to make security suggestions.
- We will notify APD of any threats.

# **Unfinished Business**

• The donated play area picnic tables for teens will be painted as soon as possible by the teen youth.

# **New Business**

- Child dedication will be done in December and Spring.
- A baby parade will be planned for Easter.
- We will celebrate the new AED with a training session on Sunday November 19 at 12:30 pm.

#### The Board Meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectively submitted by

Gerald Schoen

Secretary

Date of November 19, 2017