

November 10, 2019 – **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**Open Forum:**

Vicki Schoen, Gerald Schoen, Janet Taylor, Nancy Stephens, Bill Stephens

Chelsea Haarman : Upset about what happened at potluck last week, Sunday, November 3.

The subject of children & when they should go thru the potluck line seems to be a problem, and last Sunday a member spoke loudly with the CRE workers (Lydia and Chelsea) in front of other members, including children.

Email from Harrison Burkett (father of 3 children in RE) was read by Board President indicating that he had been present last Sunday, and was feeling that it was not appropriate and hoping the board would address the situation.

Larry Miller indicated that they intended to go into Executive Session regarding this situation.

Vickie Schoen: Would like the Board to seriously review the policy manual regarding the rental of the facility. Should not members be able to avail themselves of the building for private events at a lower cost than \$300? The board assured here that this would be done.

Vicky also indicates the parents need to be more attentive to children during service.

Board of Trustee Members Present:

Jeff Davis, Tom Nichols, Rolf Habersang, Larry Miller, Nina Stein, Cyndy Walton

Staff: April Myers

Minister Present: Rev. Nell Newton

Meeting called to order at 12:30

Meeting Minutes: Approved with correction of typos.

**Treasurers Report:** There have been some issues with PayPal. Lucy, the accountant, will get it fixed by end of year. Will not file for audit at this time.

**Membership:** Affirmed new members, Sharon and Harrison Burkett and John and Jennifer Lewis. Jeff moved to affirm. Motion carried.

**Stewardship:** Pledge cards went out. Have started coming in.

Parking lot parking from middle school issue was discussed. No resolution was proposed. It was brought up that in the past, it was considered good for the parking lot to be used during the week when we weren't using it, because it is good for weed control.

Building Use Policy: Needs to be rewritten. Nina and Keralee will rewrite. Building fees will be up to discretion to staff until policy is rewritten. Larry moved and it was affirmed.

**Nells report:** Adult RE room exchange. There was some confusion. Rolf clarified that he talked to all concerned about making the change back before it happened. The switch in the rooms occurred for one Sunday. Rolf noted that this is an example of issues of incomplete communication. Trip to Korea was good.

**Worship:** Accompanist - need to get the correct song on power point. People seem to like the piano music. Need live music on alternate Sundays.

**Pastoral Care:** Will visit two inmates in Wichita Falls.

Celebration of third anniversary Social Justice Administration - working with family system coach staff meeting.

Building needs issues: Discovered new roof leaks; have insurance adjuster look at. Building needs to be winterized.

Upcoming services Winter solstice pagans Christmas pageant single service Christmas Eve will be at 5 pm Nov 24 encore sermon; new member ceremony; congregational meeting

Discussed need to get new board finalized for 2020. It must be finalized by this week.

**New Business:**

Issue of security: Sunday morning services team: greetings, collection takers, ushers, etc. These would be people who would know who was coming and going and would call 911.

Catastrophic shooting event: ability to respond to such events. Place to turn to for meaningful action/reaction.

Background Check: Anyone who works with children must agree with background check.

December Board Meeting will be December 15

Open floor for comments:

Revisited issue of announcements

Adjourned 1:40

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Submitted by Nina Stein  
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