

BFUMC Board Meeting minutes 4.6.25

Board members present: Rev. Jim Buckman, Don Trawick, Josh Page, Lenna Applebee, Billy Cochran, Mary Alice Beard, Karl Siegel, Jim Failmezger, Sue Morris, Lindsay Mattingly

Church members present: Charlotte Trawick, Jonathan Applebee, Dave Webster, Pat Stanley, Brendan Smith, Will Rogers, Bill Hoffman

In the Word: Jim Failmezger

Prayer seeking God's direction and guidance in decisions for our church. We are blessed to have our facilities and its a blessing to have the Pentecostal church using our facilities right now.

Building Updates: Will Rogers, BFUMC facilities manager:

- Still waiting on update with HVAC system on order. Roy to reach out Monday.
- Waterproof/carpet/stairs all done minus some touch up paint.
- Electrical work done.
- Still getting quotes for security/fire alarm system update (both buildings); having issues with wireless connections/communication.
- Gates: priority right now is egress; Have estimates from 'All About Fences'; will move ahead with playground gate upgraded to 2 5ft gates, push bar, locks from outside; other gates (CLC ramp, trash can area, etc will be addressed in 2nd round of building upgrades for security purposes)
- Painting CLC: Address areas that need to be painted first with more wear and tear (2nd floor, certain stair cases) rather than paint entire CLC at once for budgeting; painting should be done in summer after VBS per Pastor Jim. Josh suggested PVC panels on 2nd floor preschool area to protect walls. Will get updated pricing with PVC panels and Jim will get with Deanna on funding scenario and get back to board.
- Motion made by Jim F. To paint CLC 2nd floor areas in summer, Mary Alice second motion, all in favor, none opposed.
- Board discussed security items requested by preschool such as window tinting.
- Motion made by Mary Alice to table discussion of window tinting CLC, Lindsay second motion. Discussion: security for preschoolers, multiple windows would need tint, not just front of CLC. All in favor of tabling discussion, none opposed.
- General discussion: Preschool attendance down, Leandra looking at doing 5 day preschool option, having a summer preschooler camp, looking at raising preschool price, BFUMC preschool cheapest in area.
- Charlotte Trawick mentioned there used to be a Mother's Morning Out group that met at the church. Could be a good way to bring children/families into the church/preschool.
- Sue spoke about landscaping and irrigation system put in by Toni Pirkle and family. Thank you Toni, it looks beautiful!

Security Team update:

- 2 parts to security plan: Emergency Management Plan & Shepherd Team
- Motion made by Billy to accept Emergency Management Plan, second by Sue, all in favor, none opposed.
- Shepherd Team update by Dave Webster. Discussion at length with Board about GA gun laws and talking points about concealed carry of weapons in church. Currently a \$100 fine for carrying concealed in BFUMC by state law.
- Motion made by Josh for BFUMC board to create a policy prohibiting the carrying of firearms in BFUMC. Second by Lindsay.
- Motion made by Jim F for BFUMC board to create a policy that will approve and permit the carrying of firearms by license holders in BFUMC. Second by Billy.

- Motion made by Sue to table discussion, withdrew motion after discussion.
- Board took a break and resumed meeting with prayer by Pastor Jim.
- Board voted on 2 motions on the table in order made.
- Motion for BFUMC Board to create a policy prohibiting the carrying of firearms in BFUMC passed with a 5 (yea-Josh, Lindsay, Don, Karl, Lenna) to 4 (nay-Sue, Jim F., Mary Alice, Billy) vote. 1 board member absent.
- Motion for BFUMC Board to create a policy that will approve and permit the carrying of firearms by license holders in BFUMC defeated 4 (yea-Jim F., Sue, Mary Alice, Billy) to 5 (nay-Lindsay, Don, Karl, Lenna, Josh). 1 board member absent.
- Motion made by Jim F. to approve the formation of the BFUMC Shepherd Team plan for security and emergency response. Second by Sue. All in favor, none opposed, 1 board member absent.

Pastor Update:

- Attendance is inconsistent, expenses are up this year overall.
- Audit results: 2 people counting Sunday collections, Pastor Jim will address issues with individual accounts held by groups of the church and get back to board.

Board moved into executive session

Meeting adjourned after executive session with prayer by Don.