BFUMC Board Meeting minutes 7/12/26

Board members in attendance: Rev. Blake Trent, Don Trawick, Bill Ogles, Josh Page, Tommy Swinford, Billy Cochran, Mike Rosenthal, Lindsay Mattingly, Treasurer: Donnie McQuaig

Church members in attendance: Brendan Smith, Sydney Yancey, Audree Rosenthal, Susan Rosenthal, Jonathan Lenz, Leandre Majerus, Terry Ellis, Pat Stanley, Brad Thomas

In the Word: Mike Rosenthal: Jeremiah 3:15 & Hebrews 13:17; New beginnings/new leadership; urged us to pray for Blake's heart, wisdom, family, and for God to bless this transition in our church.

Church Business:

CLC Roof—Don went over viable quotes, funding, logistics (~20 day job once started), will communicate with staff how operations will be affected (preschool starts 9/8/26, teachers report 8/24/26)
Billy made a motion to accept the quote from Roof Partners [contingent on references, pre-meeting with them, and scheduling beginning of work]. Bill made a second to motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Pastor update—Blake expressed his thankfulness to the church for the welcome reception held in the fellowship hall.
Blake presented documents from the Korean UMC and board discussed how we can support and limits to our support (possible office space, using printer).

Contracts—new elevator contract signed 7/3/26 and janitorial contract signed 7/1/26. Contracts to be sent for board members to review. Contract process to be re-evaluated for future contracts and board involvement.

Parking—discussed parking issues: 1)during BFUMC events 2)Penecostal church events 3)downtown parkers using our lot. BFUMC has a need to monitor parking lot before/during our events to ensure adequate parking for our members which takes precedence over outside parties.

Penecostal church—board discussed current lease parameters and enforcement of parameters, current rental rate, and future rental rates. Blake will talk with Pastor Jordan in the coming days/weeks about their plans and current usage of our facilities. Susan was asked to make a list of issues we need to discuss with them ahead of a meeting with Blake/Don/Roy.

Future planning—Staff planning meeting scheduled for 8/15/26. Board/staff strategic planning session scheduled 9/12/26 9am-afternoon(?). DeeAnna will review budget first on 9/12/26.

Wi-fi issues—Mike—wifi is outdated and will eventually need to be replaced, new computers having battery life and networking issues. Talk with provider about needs for 2027 and revisit topic at next board meeting.

Fellowship projector—Brendan—issues in connectivity, no output from ethernet, bulb out. Board decision was to install flatscreen monitor, around 2k in overall expenses, Brad will install and ensure wall has proper support for 80-100 inch monitor.

Other items:
Electrical—Source One to investigate CLC grounding issues
HVAC—pending, have funds secured

Police presence—have funding through end of year, monitor arrival and leave times and address if needed
Nursery worker—Susan, praise(!) for new hire Abby Pilcher.
AV volunteers—Brendan expressed there is still a need, Blake will assist in announcing the need. A manual has been made for the AV process.
Janitorial—cleaning company issues need to be addressed, not cleaning 2nd floor well enough.
Stewardship campaign—Blake expressed we will have a new campaign in October.