

Minnetonka UMC Servant Leadership Board (SLB)

February 6, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Jeanine Alexander, Jason Anderson, Myron Carlson, Judy Fallat, Elizabeth Frye, Megan Krueger, Eric Lunde, Bill Lurth, Jen Mein, Tim Nordaune, Dave Nuckols, Dennis Olsen, Bill Post, Patty Yeager

Guests Present: Tiffany McDonald, Dan Johnson (SPRC portion only)

Bill Post called the meeting to order at 6:46 pm.

Jeanine welcomed Tiffany who was invited to attend to be part of the discussion with our District Superintendent regarding the pastoral appointment process and what we desire/ need in a new pastor.

BIBLE STUDY/PRAYER WALK: We each chose our own prayer path through the church and then gathered in the sanctuary to share our prayers with the group and light candles.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The January 17, 2017 minutes were approved with the following corrections: Jen Mein was absent and Tim Nordaune was present. The January 31, 2017 minutes were approved as written.

FINANCE: Pastor Jeanine reported that she approved the use of funds from the Additional Ministry Support Fund to purchase copies of the book, "Fish and Cut Bait" (our current Leadership Study book) for board members.

ACTION ITEMS: Bill P. led discussion of two Legacy Fund Grant applications: Honoraria and Expenses for Bishop Melvin Talbert's weekend in Minnesota (\$2,307) and Sound Equipment, Music Equipment, and Electricity for the Outdoor Worship Area (\$4,600). The Legacy Fund Committee recommends the approval of both applications. Both applications were voted on and approved unanimously. Bill advised that the Legacy Fund has approximately \$15,000 to \$20,000 available to award in 2017.

SPRC: This part of the meeting started at 7:32 pm. Jeanine did not attend this portion of the meeting. We welcomed Dan Johnson, our District Superintendent, who was there to explain the pastoral appointment process and talk with us about our desires and needs for a new pastor. After introductions Dan took us through a handout outlining the Appointment Process and the Introductory Meeting Agenda. The handout also includes possible questions that we and the Bishop's appointee might ask of each other during that meeting. Dan shared with us the transition schedule. Jeanine's last Sunday will be the 2nd Sunday in June. We will have a visiting preacher on the 3rd Sunday and our new pastor's first Sunday will be the 4th in June. Dan asked that we update our Church Profile (last updated in 2011) ensuring it reflects our growth to date, our current ministries, our vision for the future, and desires and needs for our new pastor. The Bishop and Cabinet will use this document to help them discern the best candidate. The candidate will also use this document to become familiar with our church. Judy and Elizabeth will be responsible to complete the update as quickly as possible. Another task for the board is to formulate questions we want to ask during the introductory meeting. We spent the rest of the meeting time articulating our church's priorities and the most important things we are looking for in a new pastor.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Minutes prepared by Judy Fallat