

Minutes of BCM Board Meeting

April 10, 2017 @ 6:00pm

Members Present: Steve Seitz, Colin Scott, John-Michael Cotignola-Pickens, Pastor Belita Mitchell, Pastor Ron Ludwick, Wanda Santiago, Don Mitchell, and ex-officio Rev. Ron Tilley

Don opened the meeting and agenda was approved as submitted

Colin gave devotions and prayer

March Minutes were approved as presented

Treasurer's Report: Rick Woodard was absent so Ron gave a brief overview of the account. Current checking account balance is \$9965 of which \$5230 belongs to Heeding God's Call. This balance reflects the \$2000 already paid as a down payment for the banquet.

Executive Director's Report:

- Ron reported that he and Steve are working on a Grant Calendar in order to show the board what grants are in process.
- The discussion about the cost of the repairs needed for the apartment building was addressed again. Ron will apply for the Barnabus grant due by April 24th, asking for \$55,000 for the electric and sprinkler system repairs.
- Ron will also seek grants from the Kauffman Foundation and Seeds of Faith. He will contact Kay Weaver.
- Ron found an old estimate from the Fritz company at a much lower price for the sprinkler repairs and plans on calling them to request a current estimate.

Property Committee:

- 1 apartment is vacant. It is going to be showed to a Messiah Student.
- 2nd apartment is behind 3 months, but tenant asked to stay and pay \$200 per week to get caught up and thus far he has paid for the past 3 weeks. Belita requested a letter be written for him to sign outlining the arrangements and if they fail to pay then the eviction will continue.

- A motion was made to increase the rents by \$35.00 per month, due to the rising cost of the water bills. All board members were in favor. Ron will read the water meter to match it with the current bill to make sure we are not overcharged. A letter will be sent to each tenant about the increase which will begin June 1st. We will also consider getting estimates to see how much it would cost to divide each unit into their own water meters.

Agape Banquet updates:

- Peace Maker recipients will be, George Pickens, Ayesha Noor, and Drew Hart
- Volunteer awards will be named, Dick Hunn Volunteer Award. This year they will be presented to: Waverly Chadwick, Paul Jones, and Ruth Lotz. Ron will be certain to contact Matt Hunn and Sharon Hunn to get their approval.
- John Michael and Ron are working on the Program. 2 sponsors are signed which are Lehman Motors for 5K and Community Aid for 5K this far.
- Belita will cover the cost of Quintessa
- Silent Auction is underway with about 20 items thus far.
- Ron will ask Kirsten to Emcee the event.

Highmark Walk Update: Another planning meeting is being worked on. The website is up and running for this event.

Strike Out Violence Bowl-A-Thon is scheduled for Oct 8 2017 2-4:30 at ABC East

Kids Keeping Kids Warm (12:00-1:00pm) and Trunk or Treat (1:30-3:30) are scheduled for October 28th in the parking lot.

Zumba Glow Fitness scheduled for November 11, 2017 @ 6:30pm at First Church

MLK Day of Service scheduled for January 17, 2018, from 9am to 2pm

John-Michael has volunteered to do devotions for the May meeting.

Next board meeting will be May 8, 2017 @ 6:00pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Wanda Santiago, board secretary