

Board Minutes, November 16, 2020

Members Present: Micheal Goetz, Nestor Soriano, Michael Morss, Alex Rodriguez, Caleb Jahn, Carey Jordan, Codi Jahn, Dave Oden, Dick Stenbakken, Don Reeder, Eddie Schwisow, Elliott Fortner, Jenny Gann, Josephine Loi, Kim Mehlenbacher, Nancy Meszaros, Paul Bragaw, Phil Jones, Rob Kahler, Sadie Torrez, Sarah Schwisow, Steve Eickmann, Wes Williamson

Worship and Prayer: Pastor Micheal quoted Martin Luther as saying, “He lives, He reigns so what do we have to fear?”

Approval of October Minutes: A motion was made that the October minutes be accepted as written.

Action: **Voted and Approved.**

Clerk’s Report (Membership): Year-to-date the membership is 783 compared to 771 in 2019. Average weekly attendance was 292 in person and 112 online. In 2019 the average attendance was 290. There were twelve baptisms in October. A motion was made that we send the following transfers to the church for first and second readings:

- Palmer, Debbie, Ashley, Sydney, Andrew and Nathan Halvorson to Fountain View Church
- Harold and Barb Williams to Chadron, NE church

Action: **Voted and Approved.**

Finance Committee Report: Church budget collections for October were \$22,814.42 on a budget of \$20,637. Tithe collections were \$116,036.65 and the total for 2020 is \$1,156,174.87. The building fund loan balance is \$190,000 and the payment is around \$1,200.00 monthly. Part of the finance report is an extra challenge for December for a budget of \$42,000 for the month which would give \$15,000 for Smart Goals as well as around \$5,000 to \$7,000 for HMS and Compassion Ministry at the end of the year. The goal and the big picture will be given to the church members at the business meeting. The budget overage year-to-date is \$39,149.34 which was spent as follows:

• Maintenance	\$11,734.93
• Capital Campaign Committee	240.52
• Building Other Expenses	10,092.73
• Building Fund – SS classrooms	2,095.00
• Insurance	<u>7,175.82</u>
Total	\$31,339.00 leaving a balance of \$7,810.34.

A motion was made that this report plus all the items noted above be accepted.

Action: **Voted and Approved.**

Mission: Each One, Reach One: The pastor staff came up with mission numbers to prayerful aim for:

- KNOW (Sabbath) – In October there were 85 with goal of 120.
- GROW (Groups) – This fall 202 with a goal of 200—Pastor Morss said that there are 202 people participating in grow groups, so the goal has been reached. There are eight participants that are not Adventists.
- GO (Bible School): 15 currently giving studies with a goal of 80. This is an area of needed growth.

- Symbols for Know, Grow, and Go: Palmer Halverson put together symbols for each mission activity.



A motion was made that the mission report be accepted.

Action: **Voted and Approved.**

Church 2021 Budget: Sarah presented a couple of options for the 2021 budget. After a lot of discussion, a decision was made that we go with Option 2 which totals \$297,665 plus the evangelism budget. This will be taken to the business meeting in December for a vote from the church members.

Action: Voted to go with Option 2

Church Plant: Eddie Schwisow and Pastor Nestor discussed a proposal for having an intentional church presence in Northwest Weld County. The Evangelism Committee is looking into having a church plant in the Johnstown Area (Johnstown, Windsor, and Milliken). The Johnstown Area Outreach Project will seek to reach out in the following ways: Bible teaching, Health Ministry and Family Ministry. The proposed timeline will be:

- October-December 2020 – Mission, Leadership and Approval
- January-April 2021 – Core team and initial outreach
- May-August 2021 – Bridge events and group gelling
- September-December 2021 – Reaping and worship services

A motion was made to move forward with this and to take it to the business meeting in December.

Action: **Voted and Approved.**

Pastoral Intern: Looking at the possibility of having a volunteer pastoral intern for our church. This would be a volunteer with expenses paid at a cost of \$8,000 which will come out of the evangelism and church budget. This person would volunteer 35 to 40 hours for different ministries per week and pursuing being a pastor. A motion was made that we go ahead with getting a volunteer intern.

Action: **Voted and Approved.**

Ministry Positions/Needs: A motion was made that we send the following names to the church for first and second readings:

Evangelism Council: Tenisha Tavares

Worship Committee

Suzie Sendros

Levi Meszaros

Compassion Ministries

Janelle Reifsnyder

Ella Jean Albertsen

Sadie Torrez

Action: **Voted and Approved.**

Closing Prayer: The doxology was sung as the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted by,
Sadie Torrez, Co-Clerk