

Aldersgate Finance Team Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 7th @ 7:30 pm

Present: Gary Swearingen, Jim Phillips, Benny Biesmans, Brad Brewer, Melinda Lilley and Marie Vieth. Thanks to those attending that braved the Winter elements. Melinda opened with prayer.

Budget: We finished 2016 with a \$28,007.31 carry forward. A very big thank you to our generous giving congregation and our budget conscious staff.

January – June 2017 Budget: Approved by the CLT on January 9th.

Stewardship Campaign: The CLT will be leading the effort. There will be a series of “Stewardship Moments” during Lent starting March 5th and continuing for five Sundays. Pledge Sunday will be on Palm Sunday, April 9th.

July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018 Budget: Melinda to email staff and lay leaders requesting input.

Fundraising Calendar/Upcoming Events: United Methodist Women’s Request: Approved to separate dates for the Quilt & Craft Sale (November 19) and the Bake Sale (December 10).

Donations:

- Online access to Grace Boarding – Recommended that they request through Missions and work through an umbrella organization like Kristie McLean set-up for Ethiopia.
- Vehicle from the Hampson’s – Recommended that the Trustee’s take the lead. Melinda will email Rich.
- Acknowledgement/Thank You Letter – Linda & Melinda to draft a template. Ask Kim Brewer to make some cards that Linda & Brad will personally sign.

Federal Healthcare Refund: Jim presented the background information. He and Marie will work together to collect the data and submit the paperwork. Possible \$1,500 net rebate.

Other income ideas were discussed:

- Amazon Smile – Marie to complete registration process.
- Benevity & Other Employee Matching Funds – Benny to gather information and present his findings/recommendations at next meeting.
- Anyone willing to research & promote other ideas? Bartell’s eScrip, etc.

Next Meeting: **Tuesday, April 25th @ 7:30 pm**