

Crooks Memorial Leadership Board  
April 18, 2017

Leadership Board Attendees:

Elizabeth Barrington (Chair), Rev. Lisa Barbery (Pastor), Harris Hamilton (Finance Lead), Connie Jarvis (Trustee Chair), Beth Pile (At Large Member), Cheryl Kincaid (At Large Member), Lesa Robinson (At Large Member), Patty Ann Belvin (Serve Ministry Chair), Keith Henry (SPR Chair), Patti Grella (Secretary), 10

Congregation Attendees:

None

Devotional:

Silence

The importance of finding silence to help center ourselves and listen to what God is saying.

Big Picture Thinking:

Review and evaluate ministry teams

- The board should review and evaluate the ministry teams every year.
- Pastor Lisa met with Ministry Leads. They discussed several questions: What does it mean to you to be a disciple? (A learner, a follower, inviting others to join the journey, a believer, being an example). How do we help develop disciples at Crooks? (Small groups and worship help you to grow and learn to be a disciple.) What are Crooks' strong areas? (small groups, mission, welcoming (internally), worship) What are the weaker areas? ( invitation to join our journey)
- Discussion of ways to help the congregation get to know and recognize Michael Morey. Cheryl Kincaid will offer lay reading times, Pastor Lisa will discuss ways he can assist her during communion Sunday, and possibly speaking at the Town Hall meeting. There is a need for volunteers to assist during Children's Church.

Financial Update (Harris Hamilton): Written Report attached

- Harris provided an explanation/Q&A of the budget prior to the meeting this evening.
- Pastor Lisa asked if there was a set amount that the cash reserve fund needs to always have in it. Harris shared that there is not a minimum amount specified at this time.
- Quarterly statements have been mailed.

Pastor's Ministry Report (Pastor Lisa): Written Report attached

- Ministry Planning Update  
The document that was shared with Ministry Team leaders (Ways to Schedule an Event and Reimbursement) was provided. This document is attached.
- Lay Leadership Development and Nominations – meeting with this group monthly to discuss ways to cultivate leaders.

- United Methodist resources that are available regarding topics such as Immigration, Homosexuality, and Challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century was provided to the board. This document is attached.
- There was a nice turn out for the bowling event.
- Pastor Lisa will be on vacation starting tomorrow for a week. May 8-10 Pastor Lisa will be in Richmond at a clergy conference.

#### Comments/ Regarding Written Reports:

- Trustees: The repair of the window in the sanctuary has begun (estimated length is 4 weeks). Pastor Lisa suggested checking the foundation below the window.
- Trustees: Harris has ordered a new black and white printer and is looking into a color printer.

#### Action Items:

- Missions Funds Not in Use Update (Refer to Last Month's Minutes)  
Under Designated Funds #4902 – Port Link/Feed Homeless is \$257.06  
This needs to be moved to #4410 Missions for consolidation.

#4950 Stop Hunger Now funds as of March 31 were \$1,760.63.

Plans look positive for the Women's Life Group to reach their goal.

Pastor Lisa has asked for designated funds if the dollar goal is not reached.

#4956 Easter Offering funds as of March 31 were \$610.00

Henry Fork Center receives \$1000 to 1,500 each year from Crooks Memorial from our special Lenten Offering. If necessary, a decision will be made to supplement this offering to reach past year offering.

If either of these accounts needs additional funds to reach funding goals, it will be decided by the Mission Team.

- Plan for April's Town Hall Meeting planned for April 30<sup>th</sup>  
Mindful of time  
Speakers will be Patty, either Chuck (revitalization) or Michael (Children's Ministry), and a video on apportionments  
Patty will be in charge of the Fellowship Hall set up (chairs and tables) including whatever audiovisual equipment is required.  
Worship will end 15 minutes early that Sunday.  
An announcement will be made this Sunday regarding the Town Hall.

#### New Business:

- Harris suggested we set a minimum amount of monetary support for Lisa Nichols. After brief discussion, a consensus was gained to set the amount at \$1500.

Staff/Parish:

- Confidential Meeting

Look Ahead for May:

- Budget Stewardship Preparation
- Pastor Evaluation
- Review/Update Church Policies Follow Up

Meeting was dismissed at 9:15pm with prayer.

May Leadership Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 23, 2017.

Please submit written reports by Friday, May 19, 2017 to Patti Grella.

Respectfully Submitted

Patti Grella

Leadership Board Secretary