

Crooks Memorial Leadership Board
May 23, 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), Keith Henry (SPR Chair), Patti Grella (Secretary)

Congregation Attendees:

Andrea Ley

Devotional:

"Teamworks – Tools for Creating Vital Faith Communities" information was shared.

The board was asked to identify the spiritual discipline that each wanted to see growth in for themselves.

1. Daily bible reading
2. Daily prayer
3. Service to others
4. Worship together

Do we do enough to promote spiritual practices?

1. More intentional prayer during the service was recommended

What ways do we think we teach these practices?

1. Spiritual Formation quote in the enews (a recommendation for prayer prompts)
2. We see people attending worship and giving financially.
3. Small groups and learning opportunities
4. Town Hall

How do you connect with God?

How are you connecting with others?

What arts feed your soul?

How are you taking care of your body?

*As a spiritual leader you are creating the normative expectations for spiritual growth in your congregation and for those close to you.

Each board member was asked to write a sentence about what they wanted to change/grow in. When the board meets in June, we will review our progress in a supportive way.

Big Picture Thinking:

Will be completed in June

Financial Update (Harris Hamilton): Written Report attached

Finances are looking well.

Payroll issues have been resolved.

Steps have been taken to decrease the cost of printing. Harris is looking into decreasing cost of color printing as well.

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

"Messy Church" meeting will be held June 5th. Messy Church is an active worship experience that is not offered on Sundays. It is meant to be an outreach to those in the community. It is intergenerational.

Home Group meetings are ongoing and will be finishing up this week.

Comments/ Regarding Written Reports:

Trustee Report: Ceiling patch has not been finished.

Action Items:

Updated Church Policies

Key Policy: Discussion held about how often to update key requests.

Facility Care: Page 3 (near the bottom)" Any item(s) donated to the church becomes the property of the church. When the item(s) are deemed to be of no further value to the church, the Facility Care Team shall have the responsibility of disposing of the item(s). Suggested to change to "the Facility Care Team, through the approval of the board, shall have the responsibility of disposing of the item."

Harris will email the financial policies at a later date, as others have a chance to read through and make changes.

The board will continue this action item till June. This will give time to make corrections and complete the review process.

Budget Stewardship Preparation

This will be discussed in June.

New Business:

none

Staff/Parish:

- Confidential Meeting
- Clergy Annual Evaluation

Look Ahead for June:

Plan budget goals for upcoming year

Begin nomination process

Meeting was dismissed at 9:34pm with prayer.

**June Leadership Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 20, 2017.
Please submit written reports by Friday, June 16, 2017 to Patti Grella.**

Respectfully Submitted
Patti Grella
Leadership Board Secretary

Financial Report for Leadership Board
May 23, 2017

Our prorated income through April was **\$82,124** which was **\$422** more than was needed to meet our linear budget projection.

Now let's look at our financial position from a different perspective as we compare income and spending.

Prorated income through April	\$82,124
Total expenses through April	\$78,743

Net Income	\$ 3,381

April was a very good month financially allowing the church to recover from the low income that we experienced in January and placing us in a sound financial position as we approach the summer.

We currently have 19 members (same as previously reported) who have set up an e-giving account and we have received a total of **\$6,604** in contributions for the year which is about **8 percent** of our total income. This is higher than the average for 2016 which was about **6 percent**.

Harris Hamilton
Finance Lead

Pastor's Report – Highlights from Ministry Areas
Leadership Board – May 2017
Rev. Lisa Barbery

Worship

- Summer Series: "Compassion – Learning to Love Like God" which will span both the Old and New Testament. I am working with the Worship Design Team to plan services. Michael Morey and I are looking at ways to engage children and families in the series, as well as offer some intergenerational connections. There is a curriculum available for Sunday School – children or intergenerational. We hope to offer "Acts of Compassion" throughout the summer.
- Messy Church (Under Discernment) – Michael Morey, Beth Pile, and Jim Pile attended a training last month. There appears to be sufficient interest to form a design team. An informational/organizing meeting will occur on June 5th, after which we will make a final decision about a potential launch date of September.
***Reminder: Messy Church is an active, creative, experiential, intergenerational worship experience offered at an alternative time from Sunday morning. Though all are welcome, it is meant to be an outreach to those unchurched or who have been away from the church.

Connect/Care

- The visitation team is needing additional servants to extend connection, care, and presence to our shut-ins and those unable to participate actively in the church.

Serve

- See Serve Report
- Square Community this Summer: We are looking to involve individuals in a summer reading program at the Square Community Center. Donations of drinks will be collected throughout the summer.
- Potential new mission on Sunday mornings: Beth Pile is looking into beginning a ministry for making blankets and other items for an orphanage in Romania.

Grow

- Vacation Bible School will be the week of Aug. 6th. Servants are still needed to serve that week in a variety of ways.

Crooks Memorial United Methodist Church
Trustee Report
Tuesday, May 23, 2017 (7:00 pm)

Completed Items:

- A black and white printer has been purchased for the office.
 - We hope to see cost savings from the toner alone
- Work has been done at the parsonage
 - Ceiling in the living room has started to drop
 - Elvin Ahl has completed this work
 - Cracks in the living room took two minutes
 - Not sure how long this will last, because Property is sure it is a foundation problem
 - Re-caulked around the bathtub
 - Water leak in one of the bedrooms
 - Suspect it to be coming from a crack in the brick/mortar above (and adjacent) to the window in that room
 - Needs caulking but need a 20' extension ladder
 - Wall by the front door will be resealed (Kilz) and painted

Pending Items:

- Light pole
 - The Property Sub-team is looking at different ways to repair the light pole
 - Virginia Power handles the light replacement, but we own the pole and decision has not been made as to how to go about fixing it
- No updates at this time concerning spreading Wi-Fi access throughout the church. Due to Michael Morey's schedule this issue will be addressed in another month or so.
- Heating System in old section of church
 - The Property Lead will start in the near future to look at different ways of heating and will start getting estimates
- Parsonage review and inventory being worked on to send to district.
- Precision Glass has been chosen to replace the Sanctuary window.
 - The process takes about four (4) weeks.
 - The price for the window is \$1,725.00.
 - We have received \$725.00 from the insurance company and these funds have been dropped into Property for payment to Precision.

Action Items:

- Discuss and vote during Financial Update on moving funds (\$2000-\$3000) from operating cash reserve to 4516 Parsonage Maintenance/Rental Income and to 4517 Capital Sustainment, dropping the term "Rental Income" from 4516. Next year we will vote on putting it in the budget.

Connie Jarvis
Trustee Chair
May 23, 2017

May 23, 2017 – Leadership Board Meeting

Serve Core Ministry Report

Patty Ann Belvin - Chair

Designated Missions Funds

Under Designated Funds #4902 – Port Link/Feed Homeless is \$257.06 was moved to #4410 Missions.

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

Plans looked positive at the April Leadership Board Meeting for the Women's Life Group to reach their goal. On May 1, 2017, Pastor Lisa stated in May 1st email: ... if after the event, Stop Hunger Now funds does not have enough to cover...the remaining balance can be taken from General Missions. I do not know the status of this final transaction to General (or designated) mission fund at the time.

#4956 Lenten Offering funds as of May 16th was \$1,100.

Henry Fork Center receives \$1,000 to 1,500 each year from Crooks Memorial from our Special Lenten Offering. A decision was made at the April 2017 Leadership Bd Mtg to supplement this offering to no more than \$1,500. A voucher was submitted to withdraw \$400 from Designated Mission Funds to bring the amount to 1,500.

Beth Pile: Possible New Mission

Orphanage in Romania and baby blankets (their suggestion).

? = possibilities/tentative but not locked in.

June

Jun 1-11 – VA Conference Offering
11 – Grads Recognition Sunday POC
18 – Father's Day - UMW
UMCOR Health Kits

July

School Kits – UMCOR
? Special Guests and Speakers
? Fine Arts & Drama Classes
? Summer Readers for Square Outreach

August

All God's Children's' Camp, VBS
School Kits – UMCOR
? Crop Walk – THRIVE (Shoes)
? Christmas in July (CMUMC/Zion)