

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship
Deacon Meeting Minutes February 24, 2016 6:30 PM

All in Attendance: Brooke Blough, Alex Esh-Bouwman, Bryan Geib (recording minutes)

Minutes

The minutes from January 27, 2015 were approved

Financials

- Income is 82.2% of budget and expenses are 99.3%, leaving a \$2,400 deficit. This is due in part to services being cancelled for two weeks during this period.
- Randy Nyce also offered to share with the deacons some policies and methods for a church to receive the donation of part or all of a personal estate. Brooke will invite him to the next deacon meeting.

Projection and Sound Equipment

- A dedicated computer will complete the upgrade to a newer multimedia system and will replace the old, slow computer we currently use. Bryan will research and purchase a laptop for this use.
- Dillon mentioned that the lapel mic and/or the transmitter is struggling and may need to be fixed or replaced. Bryan is discussing the problem with Dillon and will look into remediation options.

Outdoor Sign

- The WPMF sign has been installed. Go check it out!!

Donation Opportunity

The opportunity arose to donate financially to Kingdom Builders. Since the need doesn't seem to be immediate, it was decided to hold off on this until the next meeting until we can figure out exactly what our financial situation is. Pending further information and coordination with Kingdom Builders and Pastor Lorie

Outdated Computer

- Pastor Lorie's old computer has been fully replaced and decommissioned. Bryan to recycle.

NVNNL Loan

-It was decided at a meeting of church council that the money paid back to us will be returned in the amount of \$2,000 every year at the discretion of the deacons until NVNNL is able to position themselves to pay back all loans they owe, or until the full \$10,000 has been given.

Readjustment of Office Equipment With a Sledgehammer

- Copier, microwave, shredder need to be replaced. Copier should have legal size, color, and double sided.
- Microsoft Office should be updated from 2003 to a more current and affordable version. Adobe pdf tools should also be acquired.

Redemption Housing

-WPMF has chosen to partner with Redemption Housing. Calvary recommended that we check our insurance policy for sharing of space in the church with other non-renting groups, but agreed that since we are tied to them, they have no problem with it. The deacons approve Nick's proposal.

Building and Facilities

Congregation should be polled regarding opinions about the current WPMF facilities. Brooke is to develop Survey Monkey. Bryan is to reach out to a contact at Woodland Presbyterian to gather info.

Next meeting March 30, 2016