

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship

Deacon Meeting Minutes, July 17, 2019, 7:00 PM

In Attendance: Carol Buhrman (and Clara!!), Jeff Knightly, Rebecca Weber

### **Minutes**

The minutes from June 4 were approved as recorded.

### **Financials**

Through June, income 89.0%, expenses 96.5%, deficit of \$7,000.

### **Offering**

Jeff is counting July, Rebecca will count in August, Carol will count in September.

### **Building Search Update**

Carol will check in with Lorie about moving forward with having another conversation with Pastor Chris and Pastor Sean about some of our questions about The Common Place and confirm that our current understanding is accurate.

### **MC USA- Ministry Inquiry/Summer Service Program**

Jeff will apply for a matching grant from Everence for Rebecca Yugga's summer service at Crossroads.

### **Mutual Aid Request**

We agreed by email since our last meeting to contribute a small amount to a some-time WPMFers mother's funeral expenses at the request of a WPMF member. Dorianna made the payment on credit card through the web donation page today.

### **Mid-Year Check-In**

Carol will follow up with Matt to ask if anyone has volunteered. Carol Martin Johnson agreed to facilitate; Rebecca will check in with her to make sure she has the information she needs in order to facilitate. Jeff will take minutes and bring snack. The handouts are ready to go, Rebecca will e-mail Dorianna and ask her to make copies.

### **Computers**

Lorie requested a keyboard and a tablet stand to go with her tablet. The total cost is about \$35. Carol will email her and ask her to have Dorianna buy them. Also discussed potential new computers for Lorie. Rebecca will send her research to Jeff to continue.

### **Missions**

Carol will e-mail Dorianna to ask her to cut a check to POWER for our core missions giving as of August 1 for \$2,500.

### **Sound System**

There have been a number of conversations about the sound system. Rebecca will ask Bryan what setting he changed a few weeks ago. Jeff will ask Peter if he has any knowledge of sound systems. Jeff pointed out there are two issues – not being able to turn the sound up without getting reverb or distortion and not being able to hear in the back because there are not enough speakers.

### **Video Project**

We received a donation from a congregant of \$500 for the video project that Dillon is doing for Allegheny Mennonite Conference about our congregation. This is more than the \$250 that council had agreed to. Jeff will talk with Lorie about this. We decided we did not need to take this back to council since it has been paid for by a donation.

Next meeting scheduled for August 13 at 7:30 PM.

Future business: Windows 10 for Dorianna; Everence workshop for budgeting or other ways to discuss stewardship; core missions giving \$2,500 each –Redemption Housing in November