

Congregational Meeting 27 October 2019

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 11:15 AM by D Spurlin, President. Quorum was met.

Introduction: D. Spurlin outlined the remaining projects to be completed by congregational volunteers: Painting, Moving the offices, Completion of the backyard, Fencing, and Meeting safety needs. A few things still need to be finished by the contractors: vents to the attic, door hardware, minor repairs.

Recap of the Project: T. DeBoer followed with the current status of the project which the city has signed off on.

1. Most interior painting has been completed. The beams need to be stained.
2. Furniture for the foyer needs to be completed. N Lowe has made the office furniture and is doing a cabinet for the foyer. A name tag kiosk is being made by P Clocksin.
3. The former “purple” room will be offices for the DRE and minister. Permits are needed from the city before this can begin. B Brenneman and B Stuart are leading this project.
4. Resurfacing the backyard and assembling the playground equipment needs completion. Plans are to have the playground equipment assembled by 15 November 2019. A meditation garden, parking spaces and plantings are planned.

Current Finances: C Taylor outlined the financial resources and the need for congregational approval to authorize the Board to use these resources to complete the project.

1. Total construction costs: \$350,782
2. Remaining unavoidable direct costs: \$25,955
3. Total pledges: \$429,118
4. Expenditures to date: \$66,751
5. Remaining available funds: \$362,367

With FY 18/19 surplus funds, (\$15,000), the project would have a positive balance of \$630. Identified future costs are for materials, parts, etc. furniture, and equipment totaling \$21,778. Identified resources are the B & G maintenance reserve fund and cash flow funds.

Motion: Move that the Congregation authorize the Board to expend up to \$22,500 from reserves and savings as required to complete the addition and renovation project.

Motion made by T DeBoer and seconded by H Taylor.

Discussion: Items of discussion were as follows.

1. Who does the driveway? Beacon
2. What is the gas bill? Approximately \$15,000. This has not been received to date.
3. What is recommended to keep in reserve? Suggestion was approximately two months expenses (\$25,000)
4. Proposed resources were summarized: B & G maintenance reserves, Operating fund savings, FY 18/19 Surplus Fund
5. The list and needs would be presented from the BET committee to the Board, which will prioritize and approve as prudent.
6. A reminder was made that the building is an asset.
7. The congregation has been fiscally responsible throughout this project.
8. Loans (\$80,000) from members of the congregation have been made to cover costs until final pledges are received.
9. Approximate costs of the required projects (ex. Fence, playground, security, etc.) were reviewed.
10. The congregation was reminded that the Board meetings are open, and the agenda will be placed on-line for those who wish to attend.

Motion was read.

Vote: 43 in favor; 1 opposed. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned: 12:15 PM