

Minutes of the Leadership Council Meeting April 26, 2015 – 6:30 pm

Present Pastors Matt; Dave; Jeff and Lloyd; Leona Andersen; Gary Clow; Sandra Clow
Tanya McLaren; June Hunt

Devotional **2 Kings 4:1-7.** In reading through this passage of scripture, Pastor Matt invited members to consider what messages could be preached:

- * children were sold as slaves – parents still make huge sacrifices for their children
- * what do **we** have that God can use. The woman said she had nothing, but the Lord can use anything
- * involve the neighbours! Tell them what you need
- * how long did the oil last – until the crisis was past?
- * the woman had to trust when pouring the oil
- * God's provision may not be excessive but it will be what we need

Pastor Matt suggested that there was a secrecy here – 'shut the door'. Having no one see meant that she could sell the oil to the neighbours. God was caring for her economy and that of her children.

Ministry-go-Round

Pastor Jeff shared that 'Mud Fest' was a fun experience for the youth. May Camp for Youth at Green Bay is coming up on the long weekend. Jeff would like to sponsor some youth who are unlikely to be able to raise finances. A notice will be printed in the bulletin for sponsors.

Sandra reported that the Ladies Bible Study closed off well, and the baby shower for the four newest additions to our church family was a great success.

Gary is trying to get together with Ron Krestinski to request that he speak to the congregation again about his ministry with ISMC.

The Missions Committee is hopeful that we can arrange another trip to Mexico this year with One Life One Chance

Pastor Lloyd expressed his satisfaction that people are connecting with one another.

Pastor Dave reported that Summer Camp registrations are out, and we need to pray for sufficient volunteer staff. Many of our current Hang Time children are new and so have not yet attended Summer Camp, so they are priority for registration.

Dave is re-writing our U-Turn curriculum for One Life One Chance and seeking licensing so they can use our video presentations.

Community families involved have expressed their appreciation of Imagine Ministries. There will be two more sessions before summer break. Pastor Dave is looking into getting a volunteer for one-on-one supervision so the children of one of the families could attend summer camp.

Pastor Matt noted that the BC Association Virtual AGM went well. He will leave for Sacramento for the General Council Meeting next weekend and requested prayer for a good outcome at that meeting.

A time of prayer followed for these ministry items and for personal requests shared.

Business

Finance

Tanya and June presented the financial statements to date. Our fiscal status is healthy and so no concerns were raised.

BC Music Teachers Association approached June to request that the board consider their request to store their grand piano in our building. It was decided that there is insufficient space in the auditorium. June will notify the BCMTA.

Keurig Coffee Machines

Since our last meeting when it was decided to purchase two of these machines for weekly use in the lobby, we have been advised that they are neither cost-efficient, nor eco-friendly. Therefore, we have purchased good-quality coffee, will continue to use the Bunn machine and if necessary, purchase a second one.

Pastors Board

Pastor Jeff attended a LGTB seminar this week. He will discuss his observations with the Pastors Board who will report back to the Leadership Council

Pastor Matt referred back to the BC Assoc. AGM and reported that a major item on the agenda concerned what we should do with the funds in hand from the sale of our properties. \$2million will be placed with CIF; (funds invested there are used to aid churches in building and or re-building their church facilities); \$1million is in bonds for this year, this decision to be revisited if the money is needed. Churches should continue to give to the operating budget.

Task Force

Volunteer Members of a Task Force, authorised earlier to do a feasibility study of a major renovation versus a rebuild, are Larry Les; Reg Gienger; Ted Hopkins; Pastor Lloyd; Wes Wiebe and Bill Driesen. They will have their first meeting next month.

Tabled

BSF Request that a ladies Bible Study Fellowship could meet at our church on Monday evenings, commencing in September.

Chosen People Request to have Shari Menzel come to speak at our church.

Pastor Matt closed with prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm

Respectfully submitted

June Hunt

Recording Secretary, Leadership Council