

Minutes of the Leadership Council Meeting
June 8, 2014 – 6:30pm

Present: Pastors Matt, Dave, Jeff, Lloyd; Gary Clow, Leona Andersen, Sandra Clow, June Hunt

Devotional Thoughts

In Revelation 2 we find a very strange dichotomy in Jesus' address (through John) to the church at Ephesus. The level of praise is unparalleled (vs.1-3), and yet we read in the following verses the alarming injunction that unless the church repent and return to its 'first love' (v.4), that he will come and remove their lampstand from its place! This led to an interesting and disquieting discussion, with no resolution as to where the church may have been falling short. Where are we falling short – what are we leaving out? Food for much thought and contemplation!

Ministry-Go-Round

Pastor Jeff

- Jeff felt that the youth camp at Green Bay was beneficial, though several of our youth are quite young and the impact is not always apparent! Jeff enjoyed working with other BC church youth pastors, and especially as they each spoke from the book of Philippians, which gave some different perspectives.
- Jeff is excited about the Life-Coaching course that he is taking and feels it has already benefitted him in the way he interacts with people, drawing them out rather than being expected to present a solution.

Pastor Lloyd

- Lloyd and Leona are looking at what the next stage of life holds for them.
- Lloyd expressed his concerns about some church members who are facing difficult situations.

Gary

- Gary reported that he has a major work project coming up immediately, i.e., evaluating how the Cuba mission works. There will also be an evaluation of staff training. The training is taking place, and there is a need to know if and how it is being implemented.
- Gary will contact Ken and Jerilyn Bayer to determine if any of our people have agreed to support them. He will suggest also that they send us their prayer letters.
- In September, he and Sandra may interim for a few Sundays at a small Northern BC church which is without a pastor.
- Gary asked for prayer for Sandra as she spends a great deal of time every day in ministering to many people.

Pastor Dave

- Summer camp is almost upon us and we need a couple more male leaders of small-groups for Intermediate Camp boys. Dave asked for prayer that one or two of the more challenging HangTime children will be able to track with us through camp.

Pastor Matt

- Brad Julihn, Pastor at Walnut Grove, has resigned in what has become quite an untenable situation. Pray for Bob Krahn and Pastor Matt as they endeavour to assist this small group of church members to formulate a plan for their future.

A time of prayer followed.

Business

Finance

- In Tanya's absence, June presented our very positive financial status to date.
- Registered Charities Returns are completed and have been mailed; the Financial Statements for 2013 are complete and will be posted next Sunday and for two weeks before the adoption vote on June 29.

- A copy of these Statements will be taken to Prospera Credit Union, as required by our mortgage agreement. The outstanding mortgage amount is now under \$18,000 and will be fully paid up by December.
- The Fire Alarm System is now complete, and

ON MOTION IT WAS RESOLVED: (Pastor Lloyd/Gary) that the balance of the liability amount of \$25,000 be used to offset the cost of the heating equipment recently installed. Carried.

- It was approved that Pastor Jeff purchase blinds for his office windows.

Church Fellowship BBQ

Having been approached by a member to have a church Barbecue in June, it was agreed that it is too short notice to bring together a group to organize it. We traditionally kick-off the ministry year with a BBQ and so it will be held in September.

Round Table Discussion

A discussion took place on various items relating to the structure of our church government, and members were encouraged to give these matters some thought over the summer and come back in the fall with some ideas for further dialogue.

Further to this discussion it was decided that we will not form a nominating committee at present. One ministry position that must be filled is that of Head Trustee, and so this need will be addressed via the bulletin, with a brief outline of the job description.

Pastor Matt closed with prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm.

Respectfully submitted

June Hunt

Recording Secretary, Leadership Council