

West Shore Evangelical Free Church
Elder Board Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2020
7:00 PM

Attending:

Dave Baechtle, Dave Balinski, Mark Blanchard, Joel Gordon, Matt Krise, Erik Lindquist, Tony Lucido, Tom Neff, Jeff Niner, Tim Ryan, Nate Shuff, Trent Thompson

Absent:

Call to Order:

by Mark Blanchard, 7:03 P.M.

Prayer:

Mark Blanchard

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: *That the minutes of the 03/10/20 Board Meeting be approved as amended*

(Jeff N / Erik L 2nd)

Action: Approved 12-0 by voice vote

Update / Church Operations during Shutdown / Tim R and Ned D

Many employees are working from home. A few personnel are willingly working in the building. Everyone is rethinking areas of ministry to accommodate the shutdown. Some needed maintenance is being done in the building. The shutdown remains in effect until April 30th.

Budget Update

2019-20 Update: After declines on March 15th and 22nd, giving has begun tracking well. Electronic Giving has increased. Checks are arriving in the mail. Several weeks of operating funds are available beyond budget requirements.

2020-21 Proposal: The ongoing shutdown requires revisions to the 2020-21 proposal presented in March. Discussion among elders determined most important budget priorities. The Elder Board determined two budgets would be presented for congregational approval. One baseline budget with no proposed increase and a second budget to accommodate increased giving.

New Members: Harry and Beth Kotzmoyer, Interviewed by Dave Balinski

Motion: *That the above candidates be recommended for membership*
(Dave Balinski / Erik L 2nd)

Action: Approved 12-0 by voice vote

New Members: Bill and Deb Wirth, Interviewed by Tom Neff

Motion: *That the above candidates be recommended for membership*
(Tom N / Nate S 2nd)

Action: Approved 12-0 by voice vote

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New Members: Olivia Monday, Interviewed by Joel Gordon
Motion: *That the above candidate be approved for membership
(Joel G / Mark B 2nd)*
Action: Approved 12-0 by voice vote

New Members: Nic Dunlap, Interviewed by Joel Gordon
Motion: *That the above candidate be approved for membership
(Joel G / Tim R 2nd)*
Action: Approved 12-0 by voice vote

2021 Church Holidays / Tim R

Motion: *That the following dates be designated as church office
Holidays for 2021:*
January 1 *New Year's Day*
April 2 or 5 *Good Friday, Easter Monday (choose one)*
May 31 *Memorial Day*
July 5 *Independence Day*
September 6 *Labor Day*
November 25&26 *Thanksgiving Break*
December 24&27 *Christmas Eve & Day(25th is a Saturday)*
(Joel G / Matt K 2nd)
Action: Approved 12-0 by voice vote

Team Reports / Team Chairs:

Stewardship Team / Matt K:
No report this month

Facilities Team / Nate S:
No report this month

Human Resources Team / Tony L:
No report this month

Elder Nominating Committee / Matt K and Jeff N
The Elder Nominating Committee advised interviews of family and references are being conducted for two candidates.

The Elder Board was reminded that Matt Krise will be rotating off the Elder Nominating Committee at the end of June, and will need to be replaced by another elder. In addition, the Elder Board was asked to submit nominees for two female and one male lay members of the 2020-21 Elder Nominating Committee.

Miscellaneous Updates

Inactive Membership Review / Tim R
Letters to inactive members have been placed on hold during the church shutdown.

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Strategic Goals Revised / Tim R

Strategic goals are being revised due to the inability to pursue goals during the church shutdown. A new church wide goal unique to the coming year of transition to a "new normal" is being formed by the Lead Team.

Church Website / Mark B

The posting of Elder Board Teams will be added to the church website. Elders were asked to respond to the question of posting family photos rather than individual photos on the church website.

Closing Prayer:

Matt Krise

Adjourned:

8:51 P.M.

Next Meeting:

Business Meeting (April 21, 2020)

Shepherding Meeting (April 25, 2020)

Respectfully Submitted,
Joel Gordon