

CHRIST CHURCH UNITED METHODIST
 CHURCH COUNCIL
 MINUTES
 October 25, 2016
 7:00pm

VISION STATEMENT ~ *Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World*

MISSION STATEMENT ~ *Bring to Christ, Building in Christ, Sending for Christ*

Council Members Present ~ Jim Keller, Bob Cooper, Diana Malin, Gil Read, Mitch Ulrey, Rob Bourgeois, Scot Mitchell and Sharon Newsome

Staff Present ~ Dr. Dan Hannon, Dr. Marc Donaldson, Rev. Kelli Eldridge, Amy Mitcham, Ed Gibson, Steve Mordhorst and Nancy Davis

Guests Present ~ Judy Hannon

- I. Call to Order Jim Keller
 - a. Jim Keller, Church Council Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

- II. Opening Prayer Rev. Kelli Eldridge

- III. Meeting Minutes – *Action* Kent Cooper
 - a. Approve the September 27, 2016 Church Council Minutes
 - i. Jim Keller asked the Council to review the minutes and asked for comments
 - ii. Hearing none, a motion was made by Sharon Newsome to accept the minutes as written, second by Scot Mitchell, all approved

- IV. Finance Mitch Ulrey
 - a. Approve the September 2016 Financials – *Action*
 - i. Mitch Ulrey discussed the September 2016 Financials

	<u>Sept. 2016</u>	<u>YTD (9/30/16)</u>
<u>Christ Church General Fund</u>		
<u>Revenue</u>		
Actual (a)	\$130,975	\$1,377,237
Budget (a)	\$155,821	\$1,492,909
Variance	\$ -24,846	\$ -115,672
 <u>Expense</u>		
Actual	\$157,346	\$1,543,656
Budget	\$164,509	\$1,539,563
Variance	\$ 7,163	\$ -4,093
 <u>Net Income</u>		
Actual	\$ -26,371	\$ -166,419

Budget	\$ -8,688	\$ -46,654
Variance	\$ -17,683	\$ -119,765

Available Cash

	\$ -68,975	\$ -68,975
Drawn on LOC	\$ 20,000	\$ 120,000

CEC General Fund

Revenue

Actual	\$ 129,347	\$ 356,190
Budget	\$ 134,827	\$ 319,274
Variance	\$ -5,480	\$ 36,916

Expense

Actual	\$ 134,417	\$ 351,920
Budget	\$ 138,446	\$ 372,176
Variance	\$ 4,029	\$ 20,256

Net Income

Actual	\$ -5,070	\$ 4,270
Budget	\$ -3,619	\$ -52,902
Variance	\$ -1,451	\$ 57,172

Available Cash

	\$ -3,092	\$ 3,092
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Equity Transfer from CEC to CC-UM (Revenue)

Actual (a)	\$ 25,000	\$ 45,000
Budget (a)	\$ 25,000	\$ 70,000

- ii. Revenue is 8% from what was budgeted
- iii. We may have a small short fall at the end of the 2016 year
- iv. How can we improve the budget
 - 1. Ministries have cut out no essential spending
 - 2. Will speak with Richard Rogers – Horizons
 - a. They deal with the revenue side no expense side
 - 3. Contact Mike Bonham for recommendations on how to improve
 - 4. Reach out to TAC, Dr. Jesse Brenham
- v. We have narrowed the gap
 - 1. Deleted some contractors and will rely on lay people
 - 2. Long term – how do we raise revenue in a culture that has changed
- vi. Quarterly statements have been mailed
 - 1. Included are
 - a. Personal statement from a disciple
 - b. Key points on finance
- vii. Pledged giving (YTD) is greater than expected at this time but unexpected is that it is not as strong
- viii. A motion was made by Mitch Ulrey on behalf of the Finance Committee to accept the September 2016 Financials as presented, second by Gil Read, all approved

- i. Dan Hannon
 - 1. Building Committee met this morning
 - 2. Get to see the interior space
 - 3. Various engineers have been approved to hire
- ii. Amy Mitcham
 - 1. Exciting to see the end of the design and development stages
- iii. Mitch Ulrey
 - 1. Upfront fees – approximately \$400,000
 - a. Architects
 - b. Surveyor's
 - c. Design
 - 2. December 11, 2016 is the committee's goal date to go before the church for a vote
 - 3. It first must go in front of the District Building Committee
 - 4. Goal is to have the ground breaking in the 1st quarter of 2017

VI. Capital Campaign Update – *Informational* Kent Cooper

- a. The committees have been involved since May and now the church is becoming involved
 - i. As of today we have had 18 early commitments - \$559,000
 - ii. All committees are in full swing
 - iii. Have testimonies weekly in worship
 - iv. Celebration points throughout – different levels of giving
 - v. A lot of positive – discipleship and growth
 - vi. November 13th is Celebration Sunday – you will learn how much has been given so far
 - vii. November 20th is Commitment Sunday
 - 1. You will have received 2 different cards (some will be available that day as well)
 - a. A Tithe card
 - b. A Roots & Wings Capital Campaign Card
 - viii. It is a 3-year commitment
 - 1. October 9th – November 20th is the campaign
 - ix. After November 20th, there will need to be a Charge Conference so the building process can move forward, decision what we can and can't do
 - x. Communication is the KEY factor

VII. Review Goals from 2014 5-Year Strategic Growth Plan Kent Cooper

- i. We suggest reviewing the goals at the beginning of the year or having the review coincide with the Annual Conference for the church
- ii. After the 1st for the year have quarterly updates
- b. Church Council Vice Chair will be the coordinator
 - i. Get updates from ministries - need to hold ourselves accountable

VIII. Good & Welfare of the Church Jim Keller

- a. Scot Mitchell – PPR Committee
 - i. 360-degree review of the pastors
 - ii. Support pastors
 - iii. Foundation Committee has given \$1,000 to Hightower
- b. Diana Malin – Lay Leader

- i. It has been an honor being the Lay Leader in worship
- c. Bob Cooper – Music Ministry Lay Leader
 - i. Thanked Ed Gibson for doing a wonderful job in the absence of our organist and pianist
 - ii. Choir collected over \$1,200 to help in expenses for Mihai and Andreea go back to Romania for Mihai’s mother’s funeral
- d. Marc Donaldson – Pastor
 - i. Fall Market – had over 1650+ grace our doors
 - ii. All Saint’s Day is November 6, 2016
- e. Amy Mitcham – Children’s Ministry Director
 - i. Fall Market –
 - 1. Had a table out back with all kinds of church information to pass out – gave out over 200 pamphlets
 - 2. Face painted over 400 faces
 - 3. Expenses were less than \$200, bounce house was donated
 - ii. Pumpkin Patch
 - 1. Outside preschools – over 500 children visited our church
 - a. They heard the Salvation Message
- f. Ed Gibson - Director of Music and Fine Arts
 - i. This past Wednesday we added another Children’s Choir
 - 1. 40 children and split them into 3 groups
 - 2. Brittany May is a volunteer for the younger choir
 - ii. November 9th we will have a guest conductor to work with the choir – he is donating his service
 - iii. Jim Connors will be back on Sunday, October 30, 2016
- g. Steve Mordhorst – Business Manager
 - i. Deleting contractors
 - ii. Getting volunteers to do the yard work
 - iii. Will look at Trustees next year
- h. Kelli Eldridge – Pastor
 - i. Bible Studies are going strong
 - ii. RECHARGE is wonderful – serving an average of 90 people a week
 - iii. Working on Advent Studies
- i. Sharon Newsome – Women’s Ministry Lay Leader
 - i. Women’s Advent Brunch – December 3
 - ii. Monthly meetings – plan calendar, organize upcoming events, brainstorm
- j. Gil Read – Men’s Ministry Lay Leader/Trustees Chair
 - i. Marc is leading several men’s Bible Studies
 - ii. Looking into the flooding at the Columbarium doors that lead into the Sanctuary
- k. Dan Hannon – Senior Pastor
 - i. Working with Alex Sutton and Jim Stenson on the flooding – they will have a plan of action
 - ii. The flooding is not the church’s fault, it’s the flood cycles
 - iii. Ditches are not being maintained, MUD’s responsibility

IX. Critical Dates

- a. Due to Thanksgiving – the next Church Council meeting is November 15, 2016
- b. December 11th – Charge Conference

- c. November 6th – Ministry Sunday – Roots & Wings
- d. November 13th – Celebration Sunday – Roots & Wings
- e. November 20th – Commitment Sunday – Stewardship & Roots & Wings
- f. December 11th – First Fruits
- g. Advent
 - i. November 27th – Chrismon – 5pm
 - ii. December 11th – Nine Lessons & Carols – all morning long
 - iii. December 18th – Christmas Without Them – 6pm
 - iv. December 21st – Christmas at The Well – 7pm
 - v. December 24th – Christmas Eve – 3pm, 5pm, 7pm, 9pm & 11pm
 - 1. Along with the Christmas Coffee House and the Live Nativity

X. Adjournment and Closing Prayer

- a. Jim Keller adjourned the meeting at 7:58pm
- b. Dr. Marc Donaldson closed us with prayer