

## FUMC Governing Board Meeting Minutes April 16, 2024

Meeting Date: April 16, 2024

Recorder: Kathy Daviess

Time meeting began: 6:30pm

Opening Prayer by: John Buehler

Board members attending: Katie, John, Lori, Pat, Kathy, Russ, Dave, Meg

Board Member absent: Brenda

Spiritual Formation: None

**Leadership Development:** Casey introduced the subject of dealing with conflict and the Intercultural Conflict Style. Board members are asked to take the online inventory and bring the results to the next meeting.

**Consent Calendar:** Approval of March Meeting Minutes  
Acceptance of Financial Reports  
Action Request: Catering for Vision Day  
Action Request: Change to Dundee Lot Lines

Actions Approved

**Review of New People / Engagement:** The "Soup and Song" gathering yielded one new person. There were 8 first-time-guests in March and 5 returning. Those who haven't yet met Kit Henderson were advised to look for her, since she has now attended three times.

**Goal Review and Accountability:**

**Goal #1 Vision Statement:** The team has a survey for the congregation to select the ministries they are willing to support and participate in. The responses will help shape the next stage in the visioning process.

**Goal #2 Hospitality:** We have volunteers for Coffee and Connection through May.

**Goal #3 Laity Empowerment:** Patrick and Lori Allen are taking two 5-week classes: "Basic Lay Servant Ministries" and "Living Our United Methodist Beliefs: Lay Heritage" courses.

**Board Member Tasks:**

All tasks were completed except one. Casey has been unable to find another church that wants the pulpit. Yet.

**Leadership Opportunities:**

Bishop's Day in Cascadia District – John Buehler will attend the meeting in Salem May 13 from 10-2 and share the Dundee Commons project as it relates to the Bishop's MILE objectives.

Lori Allen will offer the Passions survey online for the congregation.

Discussion Item #1: Employee Handbook. Board Members suggested a few more changes.

Discussion Item #2: Pastor's Leave Plans: Chris Lee and Meg will serve as worship leaders. Tom Tate will be available for emergencies. Betty Sedgewick will visit laity as needed. Jackie Tribbet will contact those who have been out of touch for a long time. Representatives of Head Start, Habitat for Humanity, Safe Families, and Shalom Communities will fill the pulpit.

Discussion Item #3: The Board approved the proposed lot line changes for Dundee Commons.

Communication:

Dave will communicate the decision on lot lines for Dundee Commons to Laveda.

Meg will make the suggested changes to the Employee Handbook for consideration at the May meeting.

Casey will email the link to the Conflict Styles survey.

Lori will see that the link to the Passions Survey is available to the congregation online and on paper.

Dave will also communicate the decision to repair the fence to the appropriate people.

Katie gave the closing prayer.

Time meeting closed: about 8:40pm.