

## **Minutes of Governing Board Meeting Northwood Alliance Church May 17, 2020**

Members present (via Zoom conference service): Ken Crandall, Andy Stampley Carr, Mike Eagle, Bonnie Onyon, and Jim Rutherford. Church Treasurer Patricia Alesse was in attendance to provide financial reports. Board members Sergio Borja, Richard Freeman, Phil Rivas, and Brendan Walter were absent. Guests were Beth Sanborn, representing the deaconesses, and Dave Carr, representing the deacons.

**Opening Prayer:** Jim opened the meeting with prayer.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of April 19 were reviewed.

**MOTION:** Bonnie moved to accept the minutes as presented, and Jim seconded. Motion carried.

### **Treasurer's Advisory Report:**

Patricia had provided the current financial status for May to date.

Monthly Budget:	\$13,531	
Actual expenses to 5/16:	\$5,120	(38% of month's budget)
Offering to Date:	\$5,290	(39% of month's budget)
Designated gifts to 5/16:	\$80	to GCF
	\$100	from Benevolent Fund

### **Ministry Report: (Review all in light of COVID-19)**

Service Plans through May/June: Ken will continue to provide a Zoom church service on Sunday morning, which will also be available on Facebook and the church website, his daily devotionals and a Wednesday night sharing and prayer meeting.

Benevolence Fund: How has it been used recently? How much remains?

The church currently has \$324 in the Benevolent Fund. Funds were disbursed for Vince Tiemersma's cat's veterinary bill and for materials for a ramp for Rick Loewen. We have made an offer to Trish Fuller to assist with extra costs of hospice care for her husband, John, prior to his death. Ken will call Trish to ascertain need.

Current Ministry Needs: As discussed in the previous meeting, Ken was asked about expenses he had incurred on behalf of the church due to the Coronavirus quarantine. He said he had paid \$98 for the blog, and is paying \$15 per month for Zoom.

**MOTION:** Jim moved to reimburse Ken for the blog and Zoom costs. Bonnie seconded. Motion carried. Ken will provide statements.

Future Ministry Preparedness Plan: There was discussion about when the governor would allow churches to resume services. Currently, churches will not be able to meet until Phase 3, which will mostly likely be toward the end of June or early July. Bonnie was asked if she would be able to get a response from Governor Inslee regarding when churches could meet. She will contact his assistant, Joe, to ask if attendees numbering fewer than 50 would be able to gather sooner. Decisions regarding congregational singing and whether more than one service would be needed will need to be made. Ken encouraged us to pray for wisdom for Gov. Inslee.

### **Upcoming Events (Review all in light of COVID-19):**

All previously planned events are on hold until the Coronavirus is no longer a threat and approval from government is given to resume normal activities.

### **Other Concerns for the Board:**

Water Cooler Replacement Project: This has been completed.

Lighting Project in Upstairs Main Room: This has been completed.

Painting Upstairs: With the lighting done, this can be started. MC Paint & Remodel has been notified that we are ready; they will put us on their schedule.

Carpeting Upstairs: Phil has one bid. Once the painting has been completed, the carpeting can be installed.

Church Van:

Dave has briefly inspected the van, and reported that any 16-passenger vehicle must be driven by a person with a Class C CDL with passenger endorsement. With the poor condition of the vehicle overall, and liability for non-licensed operators, he recommends eliminating it for church-related transportation.

MOTION: Jim moved that we explore donating it to a program such as those that take donated vehicles, such as Kars4Kids, contingent upon hearing from the board members absent today. Andy will check with them.

Requests from Home Connections: Nate Button will send a list of requests, mostly for better lighting in the side classrooms. Dave has made a preliminary inspection and feels the total cost would be less than \$600.

MOTION: Jim moved that we approve up to \$650 for needed lighting; Mike seconded. Motion carried.

Improving Church Visibility From Road: Andy asked that we consider how to improve church visibility. Andy noted that there is no signage on the church building itself. Mention was made of the large sign made by Tim Walter five years ago, which may need touching up. Ken asked Andy to take some photos of the sign and other front areas that may hamper church visibility. We will return to this item in the future.

The next meeting date was not set.

Submitted by:

Andy Stampley, Secretary

*Approved by Governing Board on May 31, 2020*