

First Evangelical and Reformed Church Consistory Meeting

June 12, 2017

7:30 PM

Consistory President Alicia Moor called the 13 members attending to order with opening prayer. Secretary's report was accepted as printed. Treasurer Rex Maurer gave his report. When questioned about funds for the purchase of new tables for the Fellowship Hall, Cleadous Hawk advised the money is available now and Patricia Offenbacher will be looking into making the purchase for the church. Ted Nusbaum asked about the repaying of accounts that money was taken out of for the outside work on the building and was advised the money that was taken out of the memorial fund does not need to be paid back. It will be up to the trustees.

Patricia Offenbacher had no new information for deacon report.

Trustee Vice President Cleadous Hawk advised estimates are being looked at for the replacement of the roof on the garage. The air conditioners in the nursery, lounge and chapel need replaced. The leak in the roof on the flat section of the church has been taken care of. The trustees received a letter from the city of Lima that debris on the rear of the property has to be removed or we will be fined. The debris is from the adjacent property and they will be working with them to resolve the issue.

Elder Ted Nusbaum advised Nicole Moor has resigned from the Spiritual Council. They have discussed ideas for helping in the nursery when Joan Haines has her surgery. The pastor does not always get notified when someone is in the hospital. Elders are assisting with visits. Elders will begin meeting with the pastor before services to pray with him. The block party was discussed. It has been suggested that we include local heroes to align with the heroes in the vacation bible school study. Communion procedures are being discussed. If it is noticed that a teacher has misspoken on doctrine, they will be called in to discuss it. The pastor feels he has been disrespected when someone answers a question posed to him when he is taking too long to answer. He asks that people wait on his response.

Pastor advised the NCD survey is done and thanked those who took it. He would like to make a Church Health Team who would meet at least once a month. He was asked how this differs from the Spiritual Council. He advised they could be one and the same. WTGN has asked if Pastor would like to give a sermon on the radio then do the prayer hour the following week on the radio. The date of September 17 was agreed upon. Pastor went to CUP recently to observe first-hand what they do. He then discussed a new local program called Wheelhouse which supplies bicycles for those who may need transportation to and from work. Information will be placed in the bulletin to see if anyone wants to help out with the program. Pastor advised he would like to attend a class possibly in Florida in November to become accredited in the NCD process. He will be attending CCC annual meeting July 17-21. He will be doing a seminar on relational outreach and integration of a one on one conversation and loving others.

Special committees: Charles Chevront advised progress is being made for the block party that will be July 22. He has door hangers for it and VBS. Ted Nusbaum advised the NCD survey went well. Patricia Offenbacher advised she had been asked by someone why everyone had not been offered a chance to participate. Pastor explained it is just a sampling, not a total survey.

Barbara Blackburn advised work is being done on the wedding booklet and wedding coordinator plan with Missy Grapner. The booklet says no alcohol or dancing is permitted at a reception held at the church and asked if the consistory wanted to keep that in. Everyone felt that alcohol should not be permitted but wanted to table the dancing until next meeting to give people a chance to think about it. Jeanella Hawk is looking over VBS material and is working with Missy Grapner to get a program approved by both of them and Alicia Moor. Patricia Offenbacher thanked Joe Moor and everyone who helped mulch the flower beds and Don Snook, Cleadous and Jeanella Hawk for planting the flowers with the kids.

Ted Nusbaum moved to adjourn with second by Cleadous Hawk. Motion carried. Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Blackburn
Consistory Secretary