

Minutes
North United Methodist Church
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 25, 2022 * 5:30 p.m.

Members

Marie Powell, Chair
Orson Mason, Vice Chair
Troy Barker, Secretary
Jessica White, Treasurer
Eric Lekberg (LL/MC)

Jeff Bonner (Trustees)
Charles Young (Finance)
Mai Cooper (At large)
Garland Graves (SPRC)
Mary McDonald
Lyn Berkebile

Ex Officio

Darren Cushman Wood
John Drake, Finance Director

1. Roll Call - the following members were present: Marie Powell, Orson Mason, Troy Barker, Jessica White, Eric Lekberg, Jeff Bonner, Charles Young, Mary McDonald, and Garland Graves. Ex Officio - Darren Cushman Wood, and John Drake.
Board Members Lyn Berkebile and Mai Cooper were not present.
2. Opening Devotion (Darren)
3. Approval of Minutes of April 27, 2022, meeting (Marie)
The minutes of the April March 27, 2022, board meeting Charge Conference were unanimously approved. Approval was moved by Orson and seconded by Charles.
4. Senior Pastor Report, Administrative, Land Development, and Leadership Development (Pastor Darren)
Intern (Austin Spence) Housing Need – Darren was looking for help/ideas.
Land Development – Next meeting is on June 28, 2022. At that meeting, the Land Development group will be meeting with a national firm named Community Builders. Darren will report back to the board regarding their potential place.

Darren presented a motion from Leadership Development.
The motion is that *Bob Sachs be elected to the endowment committee chair*. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Ministry Council - Eric Lekberg
At the last Ministry Council meeting, they discussed scheduling for the back half of the year. A sub-committee has also met to finalize the year's Pride Celebration.
6. Finance Committee
Finance – John Drake & Charles Young

Charles advised the board that an external group (prison ministry) would like to host a fundraising event at North using the sanctuary. As part of the review, the finance

committee identified that we lacked a policy regarding fundraising by external entities.

Charles provided a donor risk profile

We currently have five (5) donors who contribute approximately \$50,000 over the age of 90. We have fourteen (14) donors that contribute roughly \$90,000 between the age of 80 and 89. These totals \$143,000 and accounts for approximately 15% of our annual budget. Charles asked who in the church was responsible for communicating with donors regarding planned giving. Jessica White indicated the endowment committee had played a limited role in planned giving. Marie said she would follow up on this item at the upcoming endowment committee meeting.

John Drake provided a Finance Report (attached).

7. Trustees – Jeff Bonner

Jeff reminded the board that Chuck Teague had resigned, and Jeff Linnan was serving as the intern Building Manager. The Trustees are working with SPRC to find a replacement.

8. Staff Parish Relations Committee – Garland Graves

SPRC continues to explore adjusting staff salaries.

Sunil’s family is scheduled to arrive on May 31, 2022. SPRC has plans upon arrival to engage and continue to engage the Kotian family as they adjust to living in the states.

9. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM

Meetings Scheduled for 2022

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| January 27 ✓ | April 27 ✓ In Person | July 27 - Zoom | October 26 |
| February 23 ✓ | May 25 ✓ Zoom | August 24 - In Person | November 30* |
| March 23 ✓ | June 22 - In Person | September 28 - Zoom | December 21* |