

Minutes
North United Methodist Church, Inc
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
April 24, 2024, * 5:30 p.m.
In-Person Meeting

Members

Orson Mason, Chair
Kathy Gifford, Vice Chair
Troy Barker, Secretary
Jeff Eggert, Treasurer
Eric Lekberg (LL/MC)
Jeff Bonner (Trustees)

Shawn Denney (Finance)
Jacqueline Blackwell (At large)
Dan Wegg (SPRC co-chair)
Jeff Warbinton (SPRC co-chair)
Mary McDonald
Lyn Berkebile

Ex Officio

Darren Cushman Wood

1. Roll Call

All members listed above were present with the exception of Lyn Berkebile

2. Opening Devotional/Prayer (Orson)

3. Approval of the Minutes from the February 28, 2024, meeting

Motion to approve – Jacquelyn Blackwell 2nd Troy Barker

Motion passed unanimously.

4. Finance – (Shawn Denney/Jeff Eggert)

Monthly Finance Report

- The bills are being paid and payroll is being processed
In the absence of a Finance Director - Bookkeeper Plus will begin providing monthly reports beginning with May financials.

5. Senior Pastor Report, Leadership Development (Pastor Darren)

- General Update
Emily Wilson will begin a summer intern from May 26 to August 4, 2024. (Duke intern).
- UMC Update – General Conference
Sunday June 2nd Pastor Darren will present during Sunday School hour a PRESENTATION/UPDATE REGARDING General Conference.

Motion:

Leadership Development Committee Moves the following nominations to be approved:

- **Eric Oehler, Trustees, through 2026 (to replace Sarah Galloway)**
- **Robin Reagan, Finance Committee, through 2025**
- **John Sullivan, Finance Committee, through 2025**

Motion passed unanimously.

6. Land Development – (Pastor Darren)

No new information to report.

7. Staff Parish Relations Committee – (Dan Wegg/Jeff Warbinton)

- Adjusted staff configuration (following Sunil and Amy’s departure)
- Staff recognition (departing staff members)
- Staff replacements are in process and being evaluated.

8. Ministry Council – (Eric Lekberg)

- Adjusted staff configuration (following Sunil and Amy’s departure)
- The Ministry Council is in conversation with SPRC on needs for personnel.
The Ministry Council requested that North should advise the conference that we do not wish a new appointment related to Sunil’s departure.
Mission and Outreach may be backfilled with a lay person.
Darren suggested the church send a letter to the Bishop/Conference and advise the Conference that North would like to close the open appointment and hire independent of the conference.
- Hospitality – Welcome message change – continuing to include inclusiveness.
- In coordination with the Trustees Ministry Council is working to reimagine the messaging at the main entrance doors.

9. Trustees – (Jeff Bonner)

- General Update
- The elevator (community room) is still under renovation. Issues with fire control contractor. Once completed, the work will move to the main elevator.
- Multiple leaks from the roof (flat) have been repaired.
- The masonry company has been asked to update the plan regarding masonry work. Sarah Galloway is moving out of town and has resigned from the Trustees.

10. Strategic Financial Task Force Update – (Orson Mason)

- Jacqueline requested that the Strategic Financial Task Force Plan be recirculated to the board.

Meetings Scheduled for 2024

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| January 24 ✓ | April 24 ✓ | July 24 | October 23 |
| February 28 ✓ | May 22 | August 28 | November 27 |
| March 27 Canceled | June 26 Canceled | September 25 | December 25 (TBD) |