

Rush United Methodist Church  
Leadership Committee Meeting Notes  
March 14, 2020

Present: Chris Chamot, Erin Bills, Jim Comstock, Cindy Wallace, Lynn Kessler,  
Tonya Hunt, Pastor Todd

Meeting called to order with a prayer by Pastor Todd

Learning Video about inclusion, followed by discussion.

Town Hall Meeting:

- Pastor Todd summarized the ten goals formulated at the meeting (see sheets hanging on the wall in the dining room)

General Conference:

- Might be postponed
- There are five major plans to be considered
- The order of discussion is as follows: General Conference, Annual Conference, local church

Finance:

- Finance Committee meeting in April if they can have a quarter's worth of information.
- Accumulated assets are up \$50,000 over last year.
- John Kessler will organize the fall Stewardship Campaign.
- Jim Comstock handed out the General Fund Operating Budget report through February, 2020.

SPRC:

- Church directory picture dates have been set for September 10-12 from 2-9PM and 10AM-12PM. Notification cards will be sent to members.

Information Technology:

- Peter Lagueras is temporarily taking over and training people to do the IT job. Bill Darren is helping out. The job is open for someone with IT and team experience.
- Jim made a motion to remind the IT job description. Geoff seconded the motion. Motion was passed. Pastor Todd will take the job description off the website and he, Chris and Rob will work on a new description.

Worship:

- The pandemic was reduced and ways the church is proactive in dealing with it, including reducing the number of meetings, frequently sanitizing ;:.
- The Leadership Committee unanimously voted to purchase Zoom Video for meetings, classes and devotionals.
- After Lent Holy Communion will be served by one person and we will be using the small cups for juice.

Promiseland Daycare:

- Kellianne Williams needs to hire 2+ people. The Promiseland Board gave her strategies for hiring: offering basic health insurance, a hiring bonus, increase pay.
- By firing the cleaning service and increasing tuition by 6%, the increase will help pay for the benefits. Teachers will be responsible for cleaning their classroom and take turns cleaning the common areas.

Building and Grounds:

- Chris will contact the cleaning service to eliminate their cleaning the daycare and also if we can eliminate them entirely.
- Snow plowing costs are very high. We paid \$12,000 this year for plowing and salting. Chris wants to buy the equipment and figures it will be paid for in 2 years.
- Updates were given on all of the current projects, including the roof, which will go to arbitration in the near future.

Outreach:

- Yesterday Guatemala closed its border to US citizens so the mission trip is on hold.
- Tee shirt sales will start on the first Sunday after Easter.
- Erma Perkins is concerned with her mission trip. She only has one other person signed up and isn't sure whether the pandemic will effect her trip.

The next Leadership meeting will be held on April 4, 2020.