

## **Bonhomme Presbyterian Church Regularly Scheduled Session Meeting**

**June 18, 20019**

### **Those Attending:**

Mike Boland, Fred Breitenwischer, Jenny Brown, Pam Douthit, John Green, Phil Hargrove, Deb Hawley, Thomas Hernandez, Steve Lucas, Jeanne Luther, Rita Peterson, Chad Schrieber, Jenni Stecher, Don Everts, Cliff VanIttersum, Keith Whittemore,

### **Opening the Meeting:**

Following dinner, fellowship, passing of the peace, and prayer, a quorum was declared, and the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Pastor Phil Hargrove.

### **Ministry and Committee Reports:**

- Children's Ministry Update – Thomas Hernandez - presented a proposal for Kid's Church on Sunday Morning beginning in the Fall. Presently children five years and older are expected to sit in adult worship with their parents. This proposal seeks to provide a meaningful alternative for children during Bonhomme service times. A proposed Sunday Morning Schedule was presented. Session expressed support for the proposal.
- Adult Ministry – Pam Douthit – reported on the Men's Retreat, the Progressive Dinner which attracted 60 plus attendees and the College Student's Dinner and Video Study. The Fall will include a church wide Alpha Course on Wednesday Nights.
- Budget & Finances – Rita Peterson – Year-to-date income has exceeded expenses by \$52,827. However, for the past two months expenses have exceeded income and pledged income is approximately \$40,000 below budget so far this year.
- Building and Grounds – Keith Whittemore – working on planning and the budget for this year.
- Children's Ministry – Jeanne Luther - Vacation Bible School is scheduled during July 15<sup>th</sup> thru 19<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are encouraged.
- Human Resources Commission – Cliff VanIttersum – a selection process for a new law firm to help with HR policies including background checks is underway.
- Student Ministry – Fred Breitenwischer – the local Mission Trip during June 10<sup>th</sup> thru June 14<sup>th</sup> was attended by 11 students all of whom thought the work was valuable. The Great Escape is scheduled for July 8<sup>th</sup>. Thus far 30 kids have signed up to attend. A

Confirmation Class is scheduled to begin in the fall and run concurrent with the school year.

- Ministry Report – Phil Hargrove – “ministry is getting to be fun again” was included in Pastor Phil’s optimistic report. Fall Kickoff is to be 9/8/2019. The Alpha program will be on 9/11/2019. Consultant Dr. Paul Borden will be conducting interviews during November 7<sup>th</sup> thru the 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Attendance at Worship Services June 2, 2019: Traditional Services 220, Contemporary Service 181.

**Motions and Decisions:**

- Cliff VanIttersum moved that the Position Description for Executive Director of Contemporary Worship be approved and that the Search Group Agora be engaged to conduct a search for the position described. The motion was seconded by Don Everts. The motion was approved by voice vote.
- Don Everts moved that the minutes for the May 28<sup>th</sup> Session Meeting be approved with the correction of adding Mike Boland as an attendee. The motion was seconded by Mike Boland. The motion was approved by voice vote.

**Next Session Meeting:**

The next Session meeting is scheduled for July 16, 2019 beginning at 6:00 PM.

**Closing the Meeting:**

The meeting was closed in prayer and adjourned by the Moderator.

Submitted Respectfully:



Stephen H. Lucas  
Clerk of the Session  
June 26, 2019