

HTUMC Core Team

Meeting Minutes October 20, 2015

Love God, uplift people, inspire hope, and grow disciples of Jesus Christ in our community and everywhere we go.

Present: Ashley Elsner, Paula Green, Pastor Chad Gilbertson, Krista Pascanik, Corinna Harris, Don Oram, Lynnette Dobberpuhl

Discussion:

Budget

Looking at the YTD budget vs. actual report, Jim Helgerson (Finance) has suggested that for our 2016 budget we can do 1) a percentage increase, 2) keep the budget the same or 3) project real numbers. Items like the security upgrade was discussed as one item was budgeted for 2015 that would still be helpful, but on hold pending coordination with technology upgrades to wiring and hardware. Direction will be needed for the technology team and trustees. For most categories, a 2016 budget can be built based on 2015 actual expenditures. For Administrative Salaries (SPRT), taking the 2015 actual expenditures and adding any increase suggested by SPRT (as approved by lay members of Core Team) should work. Want to add items for congregational Leadership training (\$15,000) and playground (\$2,000). Need to request reports for other accounts to see where savings and interest bearing accounts stand, and for more info on how they are used. **A year summary is being requested.**

Commitment Sunday (Part 1-Time and Talent)

Lynnette will request a second set of "Ask me about" badges to be printed by Linda to be circulated through the congregation on October 25. Volunteer Survey (front and back) is ready to be printed and folded to insert in the bulletin for November 1, and put in the Stewardship mailing going out the week of Oct. 26. Members will be asked to bring them in on November 1st and invited to bring them to front that day. **Krista will collect the survey responses and aggregate the information** to share with the Volunteer Coordinator.

Volunteer Coordinator Update

The first candidate we have approached has received the volunteer responsibility description and some options to consider for how to function. **Chad will follow up with her** for her decision.

Pastor Comments

Chad met today with John Laster, gave him updates and showed him around the premises. He reports that John was pleased with the results this far, and was affirming toward the work that has been done.

Next Meeting Dates: 6:30 Tuesday, November 3