



CHURCH OF THE TRINITY

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Board of Directors Meeting Agenda – September 17, 2019

Opening Prayer

Establishment of a Quorum

Reports: August Meeting Minutes, Finance, Pastor, Building and Grounds, Planned Giving

Action items:

- Pet Vaccination Bus
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Discussion items:

- Social Justice Ministry
- Consider recommendations from the Finance Team about Bequest
- Discuss the two forums - a minor change and how we will approach those meetings

Closing Prayer and Adjournment

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – 9/17/19

Opening Prayer

Establishment of a Quorum– Members present: Jack Botelho, Lillie Brock, Jesse Clayton, Mary Cumisky, Kathy King, Joe McKenzie, Fuzzy Mintz and Ann Vassilaros (via phone).

Guest present: Susan Mintz, Jerry Poisson, and Dar Purugganan.

The following reports (see attached) were submitted for approval: Minutes of the August Board meeting, treasurer's report, pastor's report, building and grounds, and planned giving. Joe McKenzie made a motion that all reports be accepted, seconded by Kathy King. Motion passed unanimously.

Action Items:

Kathy King reported that the pet vaccination bus would like to use our property on a regular basis to provide low cost vaccination to the community. After discussion Fuzzy Mintz made a motion to allow the bus to be on our property on Thursday up to twice a month. Kathy King seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Rev. Brock reported on the recommendations from the finance committee regarding the bequest from John Hansen in the amount of \$356,432.41. The committee recommends the following:

1. \$200,000 to \$240,000 be put in an endowment fund
2. \$10,000 for marketing
3. \$27,000 for paving the driveway on the south and east side of the buildings
4. \$49,000 for covering for the courtyard
5. \$35,000 for tithing to various other non-profits
 - a. Mothers Helping Mothers
 - b. ALSO and PRISM (possible merger between these upcoming)
 - c. Church in Kampala
 - d. FELT (Feeding Empty Little Tummies)
 - e. UFMCC to a specific cause designated by Church of the Trinity

Joe McKenzie made a motion that we accept the recommendations from the finance committee. Fuzzy Mintz seconded, motion passed unanimously. Exact amounts to the other organizations will be determined at a later date. The money will remain in the money market until exact funds are needed and the endowment fund is setup.

There was discussion about moving forward immediately with the paving project. Jack Botelho made motion that we sign the contract with Anderson Asphalt and Concrete Service, LLC for the paving, the cost not to exceed \$28,000. Kathy King seconded, motion passed unanimously. Rev. Brock will sign the contract asap so we can get on their schedule. She will also make an announcement to the congregation on Sunday (Sept. 22nd).

Jack Botelho brought up the need to add panic bars to the two sets of double doors on the east end of the sanctuary. The panic bars are for safety purposes to allow easy egress in the event of an emergency but do not allow entry from the outside. The cost to add panic bars will be approximately \$640. The board decided to add this to the list of item to be paid for out the endowment money.

Discussion Items:

Mary Cuminsky asked for budget consider for the Social Justice Ministry, she was directed to give her requests to the finance committee.

Rev. Brock reported that the October forums will be; candidate forum on October 20th and budget forum on October 27th.

Jesse Clayton indicated that there are a few minor changes that need to be made to the by-laws. She will bring suggested changes to the October board meeting.

Closing prayer and adjournment

Minutes submitted by:
Jesse Clayton

Church of the Trinity MCC Treasurer's Report
Income and Expenses v. Budget August 2019

Total Sources of Income	August Actual	August Budget	Over/(Under) Budget	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget	YTD Variance
Plate Collections	\$ 15,884.90	\$ 16,923.00	\$ (1,038.10)	\$ 132,450.79	\$ 143,846.00	\$ (11,395.21)
Above & Beyond	\$	\$ 833.00	\$ (833.00)		\$ 6,664.00	\$ (6,664.00)
Service Income	\$ 15,884.90	\$ 17,756.00	\$ (1,871.10)	\$ 132,450.79	\$ 150,510.00	\$ (18,059.21)
Ministries, Programs, and Events (Raffle, Lenen Books, Music Ministry, Wednesday Dinners)	\$ 325.00	\$ 343.00	\$ (18.00)	\$ 4,655.00	\$ 8,768.00	\$ (4,113.00)
Other (Fundraising -net, Advertising/Sponsorship, Facilities Donations, Interest Income)	\$ 3,886.29	\$ 1,666.00	\$ 2,220.29	\$ 28,884.26	\$ 13,332.00	\$ 15,552.26
Total Undesignated/Unrestricted	\$ 20,096.19	\$ 19,765.00	\$ 331.19	\$ 165,990.05	\$ 172,610.00	\$ (6,619.95)
Interest Income - Contingency Fund	\$	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,168.10	\$ -	\$ 2,168.10
Love Offerings	\$ (451.71)	\$ -	\$ (451.71)	\$ 14,884.19	\$ -	\$ 14,884.19
Interest Income - Building Fund Reserve	\$ 2.10	\$	\$ 2.10	\$ 137.43	\$ -	\$ 137.43
Designated/Restricted	\$ (449.61)	\$ -	\$ (449.61)	\$ 17,189.72	\$ -	\$ 17,189.72
Bequest	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 356,432.41	\$ -	\$ 356,432.41
Designated/Restricted & Bequest	\$ (449.61)	\$ -	\$ (449.61)	\$ 373,622.13	\$ -	\$ 373,622.13
Total Sources of Income	\$ 19,646.58	\$ 19,765.00	\$ (118.42)	\$ 539,612.18	\$ 172,610.00	\$ 367,002.18
Less Bequest				\$ (356,432.41)		\$ (356,432.41)
Adjusted Income	\$ 19,646.58	\$ 19,765.00	\$ (118.42)	\$ 183,179.77	\$ 172,610.00	\$ 10,569.77

Church of the Trinity MCC Treasurer's Report
Income and Expenses v. Budget August 2019

Total Expenses by Category	August Actual	August Budget	Over/(Under) Budget	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget	YTD Variance
Preparing for and Conducting Worship	\$ 4,344.31	\$ 4,267.00	\$ 77.31	\$ 39,093.55	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 1,593.55
Reaching Out to Serve Our Community	\$ 175.98	\$ 46.00	\$ 129.98	\$ 2,674.60	\$ 4,988.00	\$ (2,313.40)
Staying Connected/Caring for Our Church Family	\$ 9,383.70	\$ 9,574.00	\$ (190.30)	\$ 96,297.06	\$ 82,079.00	\$ 14,218.06
Spiritual Education and Growth	\$ -	\$ 42.00	\$ (42.00)	\$ -	\$ 334.00	\$ (334.00)
Equipping & Maintaining Buildings and Grounds	\$ 1,917.75	\$ 2,579.00	\$ (661.25)	\$ 63,453.39	\$ 27,634.00	\$ 35,819.39
Supporting the Wider Mission UFMCC	\$ 2,268.60	\$ 2,223.00	\$ 45.60	\$ 21,370.33	\$ 18,898.00	\$ 2,472.33
Pastoral Search & Visit Exp	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,625.30	\$ -	\$ 9,625.30
General Conference	\$ (161.26)	\$ 200.00	\$ (361.26)	\$ 3,124.36	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,524.36
Total Expenses by Category	\$ 17,929.08	\$ 18,931.00	\$ (1,001.92)	\$ 235,638.59	\$ 173,033.00	\$ 62,605.59
Adjustment for Roof (Paid from Building Fund)				\$ (31,370.00)		\$ (31,370.00)
Adjustment for Pastoral Search/Visit (Paid from Contingency Fund)	\$ -			\$ (9,625.30)		\$ (9,625.30)
Love Offerings Paid				\$ (16,039.53)		\$ (16,039.53)
Adjusted Expenses	\$ 17,929.08	\$ 18,931.00	\$ (1,001.92)	\$ 178,603.76	\$ 173,033.00	\$ 5,570.76

Pastor's Report
Church of the Trinity MCC
September 17, 2019 (for August)
Submitted by Rev. Elder Lillie Brock

August was a busy month of preparation for the fall and the new things we have been launching (Connection Cards and Meetup Groups). Rev. Donna was on vacation so the office staff had to prepare everything for the Meetup Group Launch in her stead. I am very grateful to them for helping me make it all happen, especially our volunteer staff, Doug Berger and Dar Purugganan. A couple of points I want to make concerning where we are:

1. Despite some grumbling about the new connection cards, we have been getting a good return rate on them, we've had quite a few people get hooked up with a ministry, a lot of people asking for information and an increase in prayer requests. The impact on visitors is still an unknown but we are pleased with the results so far.
2. The sign ups for Meetup Groups is unprecedented here and having that many people connecting every week WILL make a difference. In a similar way, the deliberate and thorough work of the Social Justice Team is making a difference as well in terms of engaging the congregation to act outside themselves for the sake of others. Both of these are very healthy signs.
3. We will probably bring in 6-7 new church members in the next couple of weeks and that is always a good sign.

For the rest of 2019:

- We will watch closely to see what the Meetup Groups yield and how they begin to change the relational part of being the church. I am very excited that 70 people signed up the first week and we have three more weeks to go. I think that is an excellent sign!
- Given this big change along with the Connection Cards, I believe that we will simply begin to settle into a comfortable routine and not introduce anything new before the new year.
- The Social Justice Team is doing great and had 40 people at their first event. This is clearly stirring folks up with regard to re-engaging in Social Justice.
- I am going to personally work hard to have significant services for World AIDS Day and TDOR. These are so much a part of what we should own so I want to make sure we get started toward that end.
- I will start meeting next week with our new Generosity Team to plan the pledge campaign for November. I am very excited to have some of our "younger" congregants stepping up to this endeavor. They will also be working on a plan for generosity year round so stay tuned!

- I have committed to personally raising some of the money for Above and Beyond. I want to do that by having a couple of dinner meetings with a variety of folks from the congregation to talk about what our journey looks like over the next couple of years and ask them to give seed money to help us get there. I have asked the Finance Team to add an income line for 2020 that is called Seed Planters.
- I am beginning to work on some ideas about how to engage our snowbirds more fully. Since they will begin filtering in soon, I expect to finish those plans in the next month.

Ambor and I will be taking a day soon to go to Day Spring and do some planning for 2020. I will also be doing this with all the staff for a day in the very near future. It is my hope that we can give the board some priorities for 2020 along with our work plans for accomplishing them by the time we are ready to vote on a budget.

It looks like we are getting some applications for the board so that is encouraging as well.

Building and Grounds Report
September 2019

Have had one irrigation company visit and, with photos taken by Bonnie, am waiting for estimate to connect our well in order to irrigate the columbarium and beyond. Waiting for a call-back from a second company. The front doors of Pierce Hall have been painted. No decision on moving about 20 chairs into the newly painted former TCI food pantry. Need to work out who will move the chairs in and out. Buildings and Grounds Day is scheduled for October 19, 8AM-Noon.

Jack Botelho

Planned Giving Report

Little has been done this year but much thought has been given to this item of planned giving.

One idea is to ask MCC COTT members to consider opening a certificate of deposit

For \$10,000 or whatever they wish to give and make the beneficiary our church.

The reason for this is to give everyone in the congregation a chance to leave something to the Continued growth of the church after they are gone. Most of us are not able to leave hundreds of Thousands of dollars to COTT but many of us may be able to give something.

The idea of adding small amounts to the endowment we have received, would continue to increase the principle and grow the endowment for the future needs of the Church.

This idea, if accepted by the board, could be presented to the congregation when the endowment plans are shared.

Presented by Mary Cumisky

Sept 17, 2019