

VOTERS MEETING

January 19, 2025

Chad Smith, president, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

Attendance: Forty-four (44) members present per sign-in sheet.

New member: One – Brian Haag.

Review of previous minutes: Chad stated that he had noted an error in the July 21, 2024 minutes and had corrected it. Motion made and approved minutes as corrected. Motion made and approved the minutes from the October 13, 2024 Voters Meeting.

Approval of Budget for 2025: Chad Smith and Diane Flouro presented the budget in detail to the congregation. Final numbers for 2024 were approximately \$629,000. All items on the budget were presented and given explanation as to why amounts were increased/decreased from 2024. Diane explained that we are switching over to QuickBooks online in in early 2024 so some of the items, like Cam's salary, seem a little confusing. The sheets that were handed out showed everything in detail – our assets, our expenses, and our 2025 financial budget, which shows many blessings. Budget was approved for 2025.

Update on DCM: Mary, Diane, Cam, and Keith met last week. We published a position for the position of DCM that would meet our needs. We presented it to Dr. Chris Cody for review and suggestions. The committee is now revamping it so it is in plainer, more measurable wording. When that is finished, we can begin getting names and then doing interviewing, etc. We are hoping that by July we may be able to have our DCM selected. We will need to consider office space here at church. We have budgeted in a DCM salary in for ½ a year, which includes salary, insurance, etc. We are assuming it will take at least that long to call a DCM.

Fellowship Board: Lenten Meals are coming up soon. Our 55th Church Anniversary celebrations are upon us. Note the Bulletin Board in the fellowship hall. If you have any pictures to contribute please get them to the office or fellowship committee.

Board of Trustees: Craig Dreger – Garage has been moved. Painting has been done in the worship area. We are thinking sealing will need to be done instead of just top coating the driveway. We have not yet had to replace the air conditioners.

Stewardship Board: Matt Toll – Last week and this week we have introduced inventory of gifts of time, talents, and finances. We have been so blessed. We are asking each member to take a look at your life and between your heart and God, commit to the Lord your time, talent, and finances, and fill out the survey to be a good steward of all of the blessings God has given you. This is totally confidential, only between you and God. They will be collected February 13th and 16th.

Board of Elders: Fred spoke on behalf of the elders. We still need a head elder. The goal of the elders is to be visible among the congregation and to stay in touch with members.

Board of Education: Cam and Mary Z - Cam stated that there are still more volunteers needed on the Board of Education. This board will work closely with the new DCM when they are called. Thank you to all the volunteers who lead the many Bible classes here at Good Shepherd. We

have many adult Bible classes throughout the week led by lay people, Sunday morning classes led by volunteers so that Pastor can have classes with the youth. Our Sunday School attendance is in need of a boost. Mary encourages any suggestions and help is always accepted. Parents, please be more vigilant in sending your kids to this important part of their education.

Pastor ended the meeting with a special "Thank You" to Fred for his years of service as Head Elder. He then closed our meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted by

Jill Botsford, Recording Secretary