Leadership Council Minutes

5/20/24

Members Present: Mike Alexa, Rick Allison, Anne Atzinger, Denny Blessing, Kathy Heistand, Phil Howard, Jack Mc Mahon, John Thompson, Melissa Truelove, Jeff Wright

1. Jeff Wright opened the meeting with prayer.
2. Attendance Report—Melissa Truelove

* Stones Crossing Campus

1. April Avg. Worship Attendance 242 (9am 179, 10:30am 63)
2. Year-to-date Avg. Worship Attendance 236 (9am 176, 10:30am 54)
3. April Avg. Facebook Attendance 43, Year-to-date Average 55
4. April Sunday School/Life Group Avg. Attendance173 (18 children, 5 youth)
5. Year-to-date Sunday School/Life Group Avg. Attendance 172 (22 children, 5 youth)

* Trafalgar Campus

1. April Avg. Worship Attendance 44
2. Year-to-date Avg. Worship Attendance 39
3. Pastor’s Report—Stones Crossing (Denny Blessing reporting in Pastor Jeff’s absence)

* Pastor Jeff is attending a training and is one of the instructors for the GMC Discipleship Training in Wisconsin.
* Mission Week and service projects went well and were well received.
* Mother’s Day Muffins with Mom was enjoyed and we had many guests.
* Graduates were celebrated on Graduation Sunday which was also Pentecost Sunday, an important celebration.
* Summer of Joy, one combined service at 9:30am, begins on June 2 and preparations are underway.
* As of June 1, Breeze will be the only database utilized and most kinks have been worked out.
* Pastor Jeff asks the Leadership Council to pray for the church, the leaders, and the staff.

1. Pastor Report—Trafalgar--Pastor Jack Mc Mahon

* Things are exciting at Trafalgar and God is moving. Guests continue to come and want to get involved.
* 17 people attended the workday and helped mulch and clean up the mulch beds.
* 6 ministry teams have been formed and over 30 people are involved in ministries.
* On June 2 the Trafalgar service time will change to 10am.

1. Trafalgar Name and Signage—Pastor Jack Mc Mahon

* Pastor Jack explained the issues surrounding multiple signs with different names for the church and the confusion it is causing and he proposed a name change.
* The name change is for branding purposes and is not a legal name change.
* The new signage would be paid for out of the outreach money that was donated.
* John Thompson made a motion to suspend the rules to allow a vote on the Trafalgar name change. Kathy Heistand seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
* Jeff Wright made a motion to change the name of the Trafalgar Campus to Trafalgar Global Methodist Church a Campus of Mount Auburn Church. Mike Alexa seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
* Jack and John to work with Brenda and Clara to process the request.

1. Daycare Advisory Report—Anne Atzinger

* The curriculum is moving toward a more Biblically based curriculum while continuing to address academics.
* Approximately 100 K-5th grade children are enrolled for the summer program.
* A daycare scholarship fund has been reimplemented and two children from the same family are currently receiving assistance.
* Nancy Van Dyke submitted her resignation and will be leaving in June. Staffing is currently adequate due to students working in the summer.
* The Daycare Advisory Board has been reviewing the Daycare Ministries Policy document that was quickly written by John Thompson in January 2024 addressing unrelated taxable business income. The DAB plans to bring a revision of this document to the Leadership Council in June. The daycare process document is also under review.

1. Financial Report for April—Jeff Wright

* The Stones Crossing Campus had a net profit of $2,354 for the month and a year-to-date net profit of $331.
* The Daycare had a net profit of $5,059 for the month and a year-to-date net profit of $432.
* The Trafalgar Campus had a deficit of $(340) for the month and a year-to-date profit of $1,266. The mortgage was paid down by $17.494.

1. SPRC Update—John Thompson

* James Weidman’s last day will be Friday, May 31.
* Kent Burdine was hired as a full-time custodian and comes with much experience.
* Stan Elliott, a congregation member, was hired part-time for approximately 10-15 hours a week.

1. Other

* A question was raised about who on staff is handling the ordering of life group curriculum.
* A question was raised about the Pavilion and the need for repair and paint.