

Falcon Heights Church
Annual Meeting of the Congregation
Jan 31, 2016

53 members in attendance at the start of the meeting, indicating a quorum.

1. Welcome and opening prayer

Kyle Roeckeman called the meeting to order at 11:54.

2. Approve agenda.

Moved by Bob Olsen, seconded by Cindy Duddleston, approved unanimously.

3. Approve minutes of July 26, 2015 Congregational Meeting

Moved by Lee Barry, seconded by Bob Wicklem, approved unanimously.

4. Discovery Team Final Report.

Pastor Anne introduced the Discovery team and the process they used to make their final recommendations to the congregation. She also shared next steps for the coming year as we move into the Pastoral Search Committee. Three things she asks of the congregation:

- a. Stay tuned by reading the TAB every week
- b. Pray for everyone involved with the process
- c. Watch for where God is calling us to get involved

Presentation by Kyle presenting the Executive Board's recommendation of the new Vision Statement:

Seekers and servants, growing in God's transforming love

Motion to accept this new Vision Statement made by Linda Owen, seconded by Lynne Meyer. Approved unanimously.

5. Presentation of the Annual Report

Kyle presented the written annual report, with additional Ministry Team reports and encouraged the congregation to read it.

6. Presentation of the New Leadership by the Nominating Committee

Noah Keitel introduced the nominations for leadership in the new year recommended by the Nominating Committee.

- Adjustments noted by Noah
- Doug Nelson nominated to Property Team
- Carolyn Hill nominated to the Worship Team
- Margaret Enloe was nominated to the Membership Team

- Marilyn Smith offered to join a task force on the Church History to work with Marilyn Baden.

Motion for acceptance by Margot Olsen and seconded by Lee Barry, approved unanimously

7. Discussion and vote on Executive Board recommendation regarding sale of two lots (a portion of the church parking lot)

Kyle shared recommendation to sell the portion of the parking lot on Pascal. Estimated value is \$50-\$100K per lot.

Executive Board is recommending to proceed with the sale.

Why? Parking lot needs to be resurfaced. Large list of repairs needed for building that total \$100K approximately. Mortgage is still there. Street repair work upcoming next year ~40K.

What will we do with the money? Any proceeds from the sale would be added to the budget for the following year. Congregation would then vote on where the funds should go as a part of the budget process.

Motion to allow the Executive Board to proceed with the sale of the portion of the parking lot that is on Pascal and to put the proceeds of the sale into a reserve fund to be spent through congregational authorization of the budget after the sale is complete. Motion made by Lee Barry and Noah Keitel.

The motion passes by a vote of 47 to 4.

8. Presentation of the Proposed 2016 budget

Dave Hill presented summary of 2015 finances. Revenue last year was \$29,000 more than expenses. Contributions \$23,000 more than budgeted. US Bank balance is currently \$88,000. Mortgage is now less than \$100,000.

Presenting the 2016 budget. We have pledges for \$245K, have met our pledging goals! New budget provides for staff raises, new Faith Formation position, increased spending on outreach, and some planned property expenses.

Motion by Gordon Everest and Sue Nelson to provide 4% raises for staff positions including our two music leaders, office manager, and children's nursery.

Motion to accept the proposed 2016 budget by Jacob Kanake, seconded by Chuck Michaelson, approved unanimously.

9. Passing of the gavel for Moderator from Kyle Roeckeman to Lynne Bradbury

10. Closing and Prayer

Motion by Cindy Duddleston, seconded by Noah Keitel, approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bryan Seyfarth, Clerk
Falcon Heights Church, UCC