

Falcon Heights Church  
Annual Meeting of the Congregation  
Jan 29, 2017

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

**1. Welcome and opening prayer**

Lynne Bradbury called the meeting to order at 11:50 a.m.

**2. Approve agenda.**

Moved by, seconded by, approved unanimously.

**3. Special thanks and recognition**

- Marilyn Baden for many years of filling Historian role
- Jan Blomberg for many years of filling various financial roles

**4. Approve minutes of November 20, 2016 Congregational Meeting**

Moved by Dwight Brown, seconded by Linda Owen, approved unanimously.

**4. Presentation of the Annual Report**

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

**5. Update from Executive Board**

- **Progress on Sale of Parking Lot:** Marv Fabayanske gave an update on the sale of the parking lot. We are continuing to make progress on finalizing details for the sale with the buyer and local builder.
- **Progress on Court Bathroom:** Bob Olsen provided an update on remodeling of the Court Bathrooms. He is currently working with the City of Falcon Heights to gain approvals for the changes being planned. The project is targeted to be completed by mid-April.
- **Presentation of Renewed Mission Statement and 2017 Priorities:** Pastor Anne presented and reviewed the renewed Mission Statement and 2017 priorities (included with the meeting agenda). A request was made for individuals to volunteer to participate in small groups to determine how to put the following 2017 priorities into motion.
  - **Public gatherings that address social justice issues** from a progressive Christian faith perspective (Convened by Linda Owen and Conee Biggs)
  - Expand and strengthen **Wednesday night programming** (convened by Lynne Bradbury )
  - Expand and strengthen our **Sunday morning experience** (convened by Peter Duddleston and Bryan Seyfarth)

#### **6. Update from the Pastoral Search Committee**

Carol Holm, co-chair, provided an update on the progress of the Pastoral Search Committee. The Church Profile has been completed and feedback is requested by February 7. The target date to post the Profile is February 10.

#### **7. Presentation of the New Leadership by the Nominating Committee**

Kyle Roeckeman introduced the nominations for leadership in the new year recommended by the Nominating Committee.

- Three one year positions open on Executive Board
- If someone wants to join a committee they should let committee members know.

Motion for acceptance by Dwight Brown and seconded by Lynne Meyer, approved unanimously

#### **8. Presentation of the Proposed 2017 budget**

Dave Hill presented summary of 2016 finances. Revenue last year was \$10,000 more than expenses. Contributions \$7,000 more than budgeted. US Bank balance is currently \$112,000. Script balance is \$18,000. Mortgage is now less than \$87,000.

Presentation of 2017 budget. We have pledges for \$252,000. New budget provides 2% raises for staff positions (including two music leaders, office manager and children nursery) increased spending on events/festivals and outreach, and \$5,000 pastoral search expenses. Currently \$5,000 more in expenses than revenue expected. Similar deficit to 2016 budget with difference being covered throughout the year.

Motion to accept the proposed 2017 budget by Sue Gramith, seconded by Chuck Gramith, approved unanimously.

#### **10. Closing and Prayer**

Motion by Kyle , seconded by Noah Keitel, approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Conee Biggs, Executive Board Member  
Falcon Heights Church, UCC