# Our Mission is to enable persons to encounter the living God as disclosed through Jesus Christ, to serve and celebrate God in an ever-changing society.

# BROADWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES May 24, 2022

Present –24 Board Members, 4 Staff

## **Opening Prayer**

David Holmes opened the meeting with two minutes of silence for the victims of the Texas school tragedy, followed by a prayer by LeaAnn Lowery.

## **Information Items**

A. Annual Meeting—Set for Sunday, June 5, 2022—Mark Briley and David Holmes

David reviewed the agenda for the annual congregational meeting which will be held on Pentecost Sunday. There will be a day of unity with one service at 10:30 replacing the 9:00 and 11:15 am services. It will include the baptism of seven candidates. The service will be followed by a chicken dinner and the annual meeting to recognize staff significant employment anniversaries and to consider the budget.

## A. Children's Ministry—submitted by Kate Stecklein

- Nothing new to report at this time.
- **B. Youth--**submitted by Linda Wycoff
- Many Youth participated in the Youth Sunday facilitation and presentation on May 5. Seniors were recognized on this day as well as social media posts of photo composites.
- End-of-Year Bash was also held.

## **FUTURE PLANS**

- An overnight experience for middle schoolers and service project to benefit Mobility Worldwide is planned for June. Also planned is a 5-day "mercy and Justice" experience for high schoolers exploring racism, faith, and social action in partnership with Olivet Christian Church, Missouri United Methodist Church, and Race Onward.
- D. Deacons—submitted by Chris Meade and Ryan Grueber
- The new Deacon training session will be held on Saturday, June 18th.
- E. Discipleship--submitted by Michelle Marshall
- Nothing new to report at this time.

## CareLink—submitted by Patsy Dalton

• The last two months have been so full of CareLink activities. Almost daily we have had news of church family being hospitalized, having medical procedures and even graduations. We are able to respond quickly to all of these needs because of the close relationship with our ministers and staff and our own CareLink volunteers. This church is unique in that people let us all know of their upcoming procedures or needs. Not all churches act like family, but Broadway does.

- One of our exciting events this last month was participation in "Taste and See" under the guidance of John Delaporte. The crowds at those events continue to grow and John always comes up with a way to feature each of the small groups and other volunteer opportunities.
- For CareLink, "Taste and See" really helps us recruit new volunteers and this past event was no exception. We are able to personally explain our 12 CareLink ministries and to invite people to join us. We get at least five sign-ups each time, and more at the last event.

#### **FUTURE PLANS**

• Meanwhile, we continue to plan for a gathering of CareLink volunteers this summer just for fellowship and fun.

#### F. Elders—Jim Dunne

• Elders will partner with Deacons for the June 18th training.

## G. Fellowship Ministry—submitted by Jennifer Reed

- Easter Brunch was very well attended and there was plenty of food and fellowship.
- Taste and See Event was sponsored by Discipleship and featured foods that Jesus and His disciples consumed. The event was also well attended.

#### **FUTURE PLANS**

- Annual Meeting Chicken Dinner:
  Information and an article have been submitted for announcements of the 64th Annual Meeting and chicken dinner.
- We are planning on 225-250 which is just a tad higher than the last couple of Chicken Dinners attendance. We ordered 500 pieces of chicken from Gerbes for \$500. They were the only place that would do baked chicken and they were \$150 cheaper than the other lowest bid. We ordered 350 pieces fried and 150 baked. Left over chicken will be sold 4 pieces for \$5. MENU: Fried or baked chicken, Cole slaw, watermelon, green beans, baked beans, cornbread pudding, biscuits/rolls and butter and jelly. Drinks: water, coffee, ice tea, and lemonade. We are asking members for donations of desserts and time.

## H. MOM--submitted by Wayne Dykstra and Jan Jones

- Broadway distributed food (for the Food Bank) to 208 families on April 27th.
- We served 125 meals at Loaves and Fishes on April 30th.
- We provided a meal to the residents of Ronald McDonald House May 21st.
- All of the plots in the community garden are being used.
- Broadway provided treats and a meal to our Partners in Education at CELN May 2nd and May 5th.
- Broadway gave a check for \$30,000 to Habitat for Humanity.
- Three Mobility Carts have been procured for the youth to decorate.

## **FUTURE PLANS**

- Reconciliation Ministry Pilgrimage will be the Trail of Tears in the summer of 2023.
- John DeLaporte is planning a mixed race mission trip for the youth.
- Mobile Food Bank May 25<sup>th</sup>.
- EL Salvador Mission. Eleven participants will be leaving Columbia June 10th, returning June 17th.

• Habitat Garage Sale 2023 will be April 15th.

#### I. Resources-Permanent Funds—submitted by Phil Fichter

• The Permanent Funds committee is planning a campaign to promote contributions to Permanent Funds. It will be timed to take place several months after the pledge drive.

# J. Resources-Property--submitted by Ken Welty

 Established a Sub-committee to update bus usage policy. Sub-Committee members are: Ken Butler, Jack Miles, Marilyn McCreary, John Poehlmann and Ken Welty. The policy will be reviewed at the next property meeting then forward to Executive committee.

## K. Worship Ministry—submitted by Jan Farr

• Nothing new to report since the April meeting.

## Membership Report -Ingrid Luckenbill

Ingrid reported that two new members were added in May, bringing the total to 651, with 599 of those being active.

#### Financial Report-Ingrid Luckenbill and Martha Head

Martha reported that our finances are on target for this year with just two months remaining in the fiscal year. Current Net Activity at the end of April was \$8,831.63.

## Executive Committee Report—David Holmes

After careful consideration of the pledges received to date and anticipated, the Executive Committee is recommending a 2022-2023 budget with requested modest increases to ministry areas, but with staff salaries staying the same as in the 2021-2022 budget.

#### Action Items—2022-2023 Budget—Mark Briley and David Holmes

Board members expressed their feelings that after a challenging year the staff were deserving of salary increases. It was agreed that the budget will be reviewed periodically and that a six month revision could be considered if income supports it.

Wayne Dykstra moved to accept the proposed budget to be forwarded to the congregation for their approval. Chris Meade seconded the motion, and it passed.

#### **New Business**

Ken Askren requested that reports from the Action Teams be included in Board reports. Mark agreed that that would be appropriate and will be requested of the Action Team leads. He also reiterated that Action Teams do not appear as separate line items in the budget because they work in tandem with the ministry areas.

#### Minister's Remarks

**Terry Overfelt** celebrated the success of Youth Sunday with many enthusiastic youth participating. She is still getting positive feedback from that event.

**John DeLaporte** also expressed appreciation for the energy and impact of the youth as demonstrated in the Youth Sunday presentation.

He has also been engaged with a lot of new visitors and had successful meetings where a common theme was that Broadway "felt like home."

**Mark Briley** remarked that unforeseen challenges of the past two years have made it hard to plan ahead as we would like. He recalled a sentiment that the best hope for the world is the local congregation. Rather than being overwhelmed with the needs of the world, "Do for one what you wish you could do for all."

# **Closing Comments and Prayer**

David Holmes reflected on his years at Broadway and noted that Broadway is "more now than it was", and shared his confidence that it will be more yet in the future.

He also thanked members for their service on Board and expressed appreciation for the staff and welcomed Mary Cunningham to her new position as Board chair.

The meeting closed with prayer by Mark Briley.

Minutes submitted by Betty Sapp, Secretary

FIRST BOARD MEETING OF THE NEW CHURCH YEAR—AUGUST 23, 2022 @7:00 PM.