Stewardship Ministry Team  
Wednesday, April 17, 2019  
Luther Room

Stewardship Mission Statement: To help God’s people grow in their relationship with Jesus through the use of time, talents, and finances God has entrusted to them.


Minutes

1. Welcome and Opening Prayer
   a. New Members: Bryan Jacobson and Byron Trochman

2. Review and approve minutes (Jan): Sindy motioned; Loren seconded; approved.

3. Monthly Financial Update & Campaign Update
   • About $80K lag against budget – likely experiencing donor fatigue
   • Sent extra ask out in March – due to all the weather closures
   • Impact letter ready to go out in May about the general fund
   • Campaign is ahead of schedule

4. Construction Update: Contingency has been used at a higher rate than anticipated, but overall the project is in good shape and is on schedule for December opening.

5. Update from Pastor Corey:
   • Partnership with The Village – Nokomis childcare
     o Hired Gary Wolsky (former CEO of The Village) to fundraise for the childcare project: build a legacy fund of $5 million to payout $200,000/year to underwrite cost of operating.
     o First pledge of $1 million already secured.
     o Fills a significant need in the community – already fielding calls from prospective parents!
   • Laurie is on sabbatical thru July 28, 2019
   • John Holmen and Gary Wolsky are focusing on estate gifts
   • Parking Lot: there has been a 10% decrease in attendance as a result of the 20% loss of the parking lot. Pastor Corey is pushing the contractors to get our parking lot back.

6. Other Items
   a. Tactical Stewardship Plan – Upcoming Items for Stewardship Committee
• Didn’t send out typical January mailings:
  1. Thanks to top 20% - discussed that this should get sent out
  2. Thanks to all other givers
  3. Invitation to all non-givers
• Discussed if we could/should do quarterly solicitations
• Wrestled with the question about how to prepare for the fact that the budget is going up. We need to help donors keep up with a higher level of giving – maintain campaign level of giving – as we can’t go back to pre-campaign levels. Focus to be on relationship with Christ.

  b. Review Stewardship Committee Description: Bryan and Byron motioned; Loren and Sindy seconded; approved.

c. Review the Committee Term Years

d. Thank you notes – Any stragglers left to be sent? Last packets handed out.

7. Adjourn

2019 Committee Meetings:

• July 17, 2019
• October 16, 2019