**University Mennonite Church Business Meeting**

September 15, 2019 Meeting, 11:00 am

Pending Congregational Approval

Attendance: Karl & Evelyn Bartsch, Karen Brandes, Mike Bratt, Cathy Bresee, Carolyn Brubaker, Rodney Brubaker, Mary Derstein, Rosita Derstine, Leland Glenna, Joyce Hall, Kate Heinzel, Gloria Horst-Rosenberger, Becky Kephart, Nel Kopp, Hal & Molly Kunkel, Elaine Mercer, Doug Miller, Fran Osseo-Asare, Jim Peachy, Esther Prins, Matt Rooke, Jim Rosenberger, Micah Spicher Schonberg, Rick & Kathleen Stehouwer

Opening Devotions - Doug Miller revisited I Corinthians 12 and led prayer.

**Review and Approval of the May 19, 2019 Meeting Minutes** - Nel Kopp moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and carried.

**2019-2020 Budget Approval**

Jim Rosenberger presented Last Year’s Final Budget Report. He reported that overall the church is in good fiscal health even though we missed our budget goal for last year. As seen on the Balance Sheet there was a shortfall of $34,000. This was due to bathroom renovations ($11,000), 3rd Way Collective shortfall ($15,000), and a shortage in expected contributions ($8,000).

Jim then presented the 2019-20 Current Year Budget Report.

A question was raised about the Congo Projects budget of $1,600 and how that will be distributed. Jim responded that it’s a marker in the budget to allow for restricted giving from individuals who would like to donate to the work of Fidel and Leah.

A question was raised about how much was spent for Camp Hebron September 2019 since a smaller group than usual was in attendance. Elaine reported that $5,000 was spent which meant the budgeted amount of $8,000 could be reduced to $5,000 for 2019 to reflect the actual expense since it happened in the current budget year. Jim will make that change.

A question was raised about the 3rd Way budgeted amount of $49,000 for restricted contributions since $2,000 in last year’s reimbursements to 3rd Way weren’t accounted for in that budget number. Jim will make that change to show a budgeted amount of $47,000.

A question was raised about the amount of current reserves we are holding. Jim responded that we currently hold $110,000 and of that amount $20,000 is designated which results in a current total of $90,000 in undesignated reserves.

Rick Stehouwer moved to approve the 2019-20 budget with the two amended items mentioned above (Camp Hebron and 3rd Way). Elaine Mercer seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

**3rd Way Collective Advisory Board - Brief Report by Kathleen Stehouwer**

Kathleen encouraged attendance at two upcoming Adult Sunday School sessions that will focus on informing the congregation about the work of 3rd Way and seeking guidance for its future. Those dates are September 29 and October 6.

**New MC USA Hymnal**

Doug presented that the new hymnal will be available May 2020 and there is an incentive to pre-order which would save our congregation $3000 for 100 hymnals plus the accompaniment books. The worship committee is supportive of the purchase and the congregation is asked to consider if we want to commit to this purchase. It is not included in the budget so would be paid for with above-budget giving. No action was taken.

Closing Hymn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

**Addendum**

The following reports were not presented at the meeting, but are on the web site:

* Pastor Report - Kate Heinzel
* Elder Report - Joel Weidner
* Campus Pastor’s Report - Ben Wideman
* Fellowship Committee Report - Elaine Mercer
* Meetinghouse Committee Report
* 3rd Way Collective Report - Kathleen Stehouwer

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosita Derstine

for Joel Weidner, Secretary