

## **Virtual Annual General Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, November 23, 2021, at 7:00 pm Zoom Webinar/Worship Center, Downes Road Campus

### CALL TO ORDER:

#### Welcome

• Moderator, Darryl Kropp, welcomed everyone to the Congregational Meeting, opened with prayer and explained the order and procedure.

#### Devotional

Elder, Stuart Carsience, shared a devotional.

#### Minutes

# MOTION 1: That the Minutes of the Congregational Meeting on June 22, 2021, be accepted as written.

MOTION 1 PASSED

#### **Time of Prayer**

Led by Ezra Okoti, Executive Pastor of Ministry Development, with Matt Yarema, Discernment Committee Chair, and Sean Allison, Elder.

#### **BUSINESS:**

#### **Moderator's Report**

Moderator, Darryl Kropp, highlighted how God continues to bless us in the challenges of this trying season. Through Covid, a change in our Lead Pastor, and catastrophic floods, the Elders have been trying to lead the church well. Darryl mentioned Phil Routley's Monthly Elder Report that is available on Northview's website and continued to read the report for November. Darryl concluded that though this time the Elders have had the opportunity to rely on prayer while fulfilling God's mission and continue to request prayer from the congregation.

#### **Senior Leadership Report**

Lead Pastor, Mark Burch, shared how it has been a challenging season for church leaders and there is a weariness as we know we are not done with this pandemic yet.

Update on Covid:

- Appreciation for continued support from the congregation
- Committed to providing online where needed
- 2022, Lord willing, will be a time of rebuilding full-compliment services across all campuses and welcoming everyone back to normalcy



Update on Floods:

- Encouraged by seeing resilience from people affected and receiving support
- Northview has been very involved where needed and will continue to provide help in areas such as supplying food and volunteers

Mark exhorted us to pray that God would renew our nation and our valley and that 2022 would be a year of rebuilding and repairing breaches as we humble ourselves to each other. He encouraged us to be a people who always pray first and secondly that we would step into action with the knowledge that God has a plan for us.

We will continue to:

- Train leaders and plant churches
- Disciple our congregation
- Reach out through evangelism, small groups, and one-on-one relationships looking for gospel conversations
- To be a people who pray, love, and serve

#### Stewardship Committee Report

Stewardship Committee Chair, Bruce Belsher, first acknowledged that Kathy Letkeman, Director of Finance, has now left us. She had been with us for 10 years and has always been wonderful to work with. Ruth Ross has replaced her as Director of Finance.

**Financial Statements** 

- Giving reached almost \$10 million, \$740K more than budgeted
- Expenses were \$9.3 million, \$769K less than budgeted
- Resulting surplus was \$1.5 millon, due to the unanticipated giving and not spending on some budgeted major renovations and good stewardship of resources
- Authorization of spending \$1 million over the balance budget in 2021/22 on those necessary renovations
- Total amount of giving for the new building is \$2.8 million, we have not yet made a decision yet to build, the Elders are currently working on what triggers we need to see before we can go ahead
- Surplus allowed us to pay down \$1 million on the debt on the Mission Campus

# MOTION 2: The Financial Statements for the year ending June 30, 2021, as reviewed by KPMG, to be received as presented.

One question was brought forward and answered.

### MOTION 2 PASSED

Bruce continued to review the Interim Financial Statements for September 30, 2021 (Quarter 1)

• Giving is up \$77,000 over last year when excluding non-receipted and other giving



- Add almost \$500,000 to the school in India fundraising
- Deficit of \$193,000 associated primarily with the roof and facade renovation of \$187,000

Bruce concluded by saying that we are in good shape financially; God, through His servants, has blessed this church financially. He asked that we remember to pray for staff, Stewardship, and the Elders as we seek to be wise in our decisions concerning the resources God has entrusted to us.

Questions brought forward and answered.

#### Closing

Darryl Kropp, thanked everyone for participating in the AGM and concluded the evening.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm