Governing Board Minutes for September 30, 2019

Attendees: Ron Kreizenbeck, Grayson Holmes, Patsy Etheridge-Neal, Mary Morral, Eric Trott, Marty Howell, Bill Price, Pastor Joe Kim, Ji-Young Kim, Cynthia Dickman, Candace Larson

Visitors: Shelly Ainsworth, Alan Jacobsen, Jim O’Farrell, Doug Will, Pastor Kristyn, Sharon Ryder, Dave Orndorff

Minutes Prepared By: Mary Morral

Next Meeting: October 22, 2019

• Approval of 8/27/19 Minutes
  Any edits or correction none – Eric moved, Motion discerned
• Devotion – Bill Price provided opening prayer
• Joe – Read from Accts 12-16
  o Future of the United Methodist Church – we just don’t know
  o What happens in the midst of struggle, fear, and what is yet to come. In this scripture, they don’t believe the very thing that they prayed for. What are WE praying for? When God shows up, will WE be ready?

Pastor’s Report – Presented by Pastor Joe

• Personal Updates
  o Travel Dates: 10/7-10/10 – Yakima [Orders Gathering]; 11/14-11/16 – LA [WJ Gathering]
  o UW Certificate in Non-Profit Management?
• Quick look at the numbers
  o Attendance Figures
    ▪ July 2018: 375.5 | July 2019: 360.7
    ▪ September 2018: 369 | September 2019: 359
  o Small Groups Update
    ▪ As of 9/23/2018: 173 total registrations
      ▪ 130 individual registrations
    ▪ As of 9/23/2019: 226 total registrations
      ▪ 169 individual registrations
  o Youth Numbers
    ▪ 2018 May to October Average: 13.31
    ▪ 2019 May to October Average: 12.43
  o Children’s Rock the Knock
    ▪ Numbers
      ▪ 2018: 525
      ▪ 2019: ?? (those in Leadership please show up for this event)
    ▪ Intentional focus on stronger community connections in and around Bothell, like with local family businesses and non-profits
  o 3rd and 4th Grade Bibles
    ▪ We will be giving 10 children Bibles in November in partnership with Elderfest as sponsors of the Bibles.
    ▪ One of the Bibles will be given to a student who attended VBS this year.
  o Nominations/Leadership Development Team
    ▪ Monette Racho had to resign due to increase work commitments and family obligations
    ▪ We will be looking to fill 7 positions for 2020 Governing Board
- All Belong
  - Sharon Ryder will present an opportunity to join this connection of churches that focus on inclusion as a guiding principle and value.
    - Action: We are seeking Governing Board approval to join All Belong - $500/year with a two-year commitment. In return, we are invited to join 25 churches across the country for intentional dialogue and training in Grand Rapids, MI. We will also receive 10 consultations that help our church become more inclusive and welcoming of all people, where all truly belong.
  - Joining “All Belong” Network (Sharon Ryder presenting)
    - 2 year project – BUMC has been invited (1 out of 25 congregations invited from the entire country) 2 individuals plus Sharon from our church would attend.
    - 2 year membership required – 10 consulting times to learn our context
    - Cost is $500/year
    - Questions comments concerns: Shelly Ainsworth Q: wonderfully made fund has been depleted. Where are we going to pull funds from? A: Funds will be pulled from PDF this year. Grants from MyVillage.com funds could be used in the future possibly.
    - Discerned by Governing Board
  - What are main values as a church? We will need to make some decisions. We are called Methodist because we are methodical. We need to be in prayer now.
  - We don’t even know what we will be voting on now – we will hold off on focus questions until we know more.
  - Do we react to what is before us? Or do we decide what we believe and move forward from that.

Trustees Report – Presented by Ron Kreizenbeck
- We have a new copier. Contract has been signed by Ron Kreizenbeck.
- Bothell Urban – Letter of Engagement
  - Hourly Rate $400/hr –he agreed to a rate of $300/hr
  - Board to affirm the financial liability towards Bothell Urban if we terminate the agreement. This agreement is only for the sale of the property in the upper lot.
  - The Conference owns the land – Graceful Exit –
  - May 16, 2020 – Decision will be made by the Conference
  - We won’t know the specifics
  - How do we move forward with our ministries in the midst of this?
  - Special Charge Conference – Vote on the idea of selling the land.
  - We need this work in order to answer questions to the congregation.
  - With the assumption that funds will come from PDF (Pastor’s Discretionary Fund)
    1. Financial Exploration of Selling land - Discerned
    2. If affirmed, signing a contract with the Lawyer – Discerned

Finance Report – Presented by Bill Price
- $51,000 / Still Lagging Expenses versus Income
- Worse Case ($50,000) Loss
- September numbers will be available in a couple weeks
- Review Endowment Funds
- Shelly - At the end of last year no funds were available for endowments
- We need to do a better job on letting the congregation know these funds are available.
- We will not have the numbers available for the GB Retreat.

GB Executive Update – Presented by Grayson Holmes
• Charge Conference (December 1st) – after 10:30 service  
  o 9:00 SPR  
  o DS would attend 10:30 service, short break after  
  o Charge Conference at 12:00 (food to be provided)
• Governing Board Retreat – October 12th at Edmonds UMC
• Next Regular Governing Board Meeting – October 22nd

SPR Report – Candace Larson presenting

Per the Book of Discipline, SPR discussions are closed session.

Closing Prayer – offered by Eric Trott