

District Board Minutes for January 14, 2017 meeting

Present; Dorothy Langdon, Jim Baker, John Kinsel, Judy Boles, Carl Eubanks, Scott Fitzgerald, Karen Dillion, John Warner, Ty Pyles, David Shetler, Jen Scarr, Ann Stock, Carol Hill, Linda Brandon, Phil Dell, Sheila Shumaker, and Janet Julian, Mary Boone

We were welcomed by Pastor Carl Hill of the Potsdam church.

Ty opened the meeting with devotion, concerns and joys and prayer.

Minutes were approved after correction of spelling of two names: Sheila Shumaker and David Shetler.

John Warner shared some things that were happening at the Brethren Retirement Community:

First appreciation for all of the support that the churches in the district have given, this includes both financial and volunteer support.

Shared the Mission and Vision statement

There will be a 3 year Capital Campaign coming soon.

April 15 celebrating the 115th year of BRC

Full report is on the web.

Karen Dillion shared the Camping and Retreat Ministries

The cookie camp went well.

Full report is on the web

Treasurer's report – Scott Fitzgerald

Full report is on the Web

Communications – Mary Boone

Shared about Website and One Call

District Executive – David Shetler

Full report is on the Web

Reminded us that CODE will be meeting end of January to work on the task that A/C gave to CODE and the Leadership of the Denomination. Asked for prayers for that task for both CODE and Leadership.

Reminded us that Annual Conference this year will be in Grand Rapids, Mi.

ACTION ITEM:

All reports were approved.

Gifts Discernment team – did not yet meet.

Ministry team – Team met and discussed the importance of having events that provide learning opportunities to receive CEU's. Andrew and Phil are looking at 'Shoe of the fisherman' event for future opportunities. New guidelines are stricter with getting units completed. Looking at getting a letter out to all ordained ministers in the district informing them of this important requirement.

Missional Renewal – Trent not present

Shared Ministries – Sam Duel, wanted fishing week, but after some discuss are looking at exploring differently

Resource Development – Carl Eubanks, over sees goals and budget, investments, communication 4 times a year , sends inserts for bulletins. Full report on website.

Reconciliation Team – nothing to report, meeting in Feb to go over findings from retreat, and listening sessions.

Old business:

Guidelines for Empowerment Grants – John Kinsel, guidelines sent via email to all board members.

Signatures for letter to the five churches. Letter sent around for all members to sign. Much thanks to the team who worked on reply, Jen, Linda, and Trent.

Popular Grove funds – sale of furnishings, about \$7500. Will go to board designated funds. Approved through consensus. Thank you notes to Ron Rife and Steve North for all the work they did.

ACTION item: Motion to give \$500 to Franks church (Oakland) for all the work he did in selling/setting up Popular Grove sale. Moved by John Kinsel and seconded by Ron Mack.

Ty lead us in a time of Visioning, God calls people to ministry, How was your call to be on the board? How does that call translate into our communities?

Next meeting in Cincinnati, March 11, 2017

Respectfully submitted by Sheila Shumaker