

Minutes for Arlington Leadership Board

Thursday, May 11, 2023 6:30 pm

Current Members: Pastor Dan Shanks, Peter Albrecht, Cindy Carlson, Carl Carpenter, Sue Daniel, Gini Folk, Wayne Garver, Jim Gaston, Teresa Lesicko, Kathy Luther, Cara McGuire, Tope Ogunmola, Chris Walls,

Attendance: Tope, Jim and Chris had family commitments.

- Prayer
- Vital Signs (Pastor Daniel will send these to everyone in an email).
- Minutes from previous meeting* Accepted as written, seconded, passed.

Old Business:

- Financials (Full) see attached
- CHM walk through - Action Team is working on a plan for the next steps needed to determine how this space will be used moving forward.
- Bid to repair the shingles of the sanctuary roof and a way to pay for it.
- Emergency meeting earlier this month resulted in motion, seconded and passed that hired Welsch to replace the HVAC in the church at a cost of \$76,000. Work on strategy for making the 5 payments of \$20,000 each.

New Business

- Keith Morgan presented the program Planned Giving to the group.
- Gave some background on he began to work with the Methodist Foundation. The Foundation works with churches and members around the wide range of ideas/needs in regard to finances. They work to help churches work with their financial goals (short/long term giving, grants and other needs).
- Gave examples of what this work could look like at Arlington.
- The Foundation helps folks plan for end of life events.
- Motion made, seconded and passed for an Action Team to be formed to see what avenues we would like to offer to congregates at Arlington. (Daniel, Keith, Kathy)
- Cara shared with the group an overview on how to reach out to members that were CHM volunteers.
 - She has shared a document with the members that are affected.
- Each person will be contacted by a Leadership member.
- Cara, Wayne, Sue and Kathy will make the communication connections.
- Daniel shared that Arlington will have baptism.
- Ideas for sharing the financial need for funding the HVAC system.

- Look at some type of fund-raising campaign specifically for the new system.
- Clear plastic tubes will be used as a visual display for representing the amount donated directly for the HVAC system.
- Several members will help Wayne build the display.
- A letter will be formulated to outline the need and fundraising campaign.
- The letter will be mailed and emailed to everyone in the congregation.
- Motion made, seconded and passed for \$895 to repair the roof. Damage was from a previous storm. We are pursuing Relators to look at the open space in the church and get advice for moving forward.

Closing Prayer

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

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HVAC Information

- The currently active estimate/quote from Welsch Heating and Cooling is **\$76,937.00**, dated 28Nov2022. This addresses 3 heating/AC systems that are R-22 based and no longer repairable.
 - If we choose to spread it out, Butch **Welsch offered a “handshake” deal to make 3 monthly payments of \$20k and the remainder the fourth month.** • The estimate expired 28Dec2022. Even though there has been a 6.5% price increase, Welsch is absorbing the difference. As I understand, **the \$100k figure was a ballpark guess** before we received the formal estimate.
- **Work started at 7am on Monday, May 15th and should be complete by end of that week.** A crane will be on site Wednesday.
- We have other units that will eventually need to be replaced. The AC unit for the Music Room is down a few pounds of pressure, but apparently does not need immediate attention. Like the units being replaced, the Music Room unit also uses R-22.
- To protect the ozone layer, production of R-22 was banned for **new** installations in **2010**, and for **servicing** existing units in **2020**. The only remaining R-22 supply is from old stock or recycling old AC units. R-22 is also known as hydrochlorofluorocarbon (HCFC-22)
- We have 12 remaining AC units with R-22, some of which are redundant or no longer essential.
- It is theoretically possible to convert some R-22 based AC units to more modern HFC (Hydrofluorocarbon) refrigerants, but usually with a loss of efficiency. Welsch does not do conversions and does not recommend conversions. By now, R-22 units are typically near the end of their useful life. Newer AC units are significantly more efficient.
- Prices are going up. There are supply chain issues, inflation, labor shortage, etc. Our Welsch account manager, Denny Turlin, says “If you notice, our bids are good for 30 days. I’ve been at Welsch for well over 20yrs and have never seen this instability on pricing in my career.”