

Elder Board Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2010

Members Present: Ken Skillman, Bob Fraga, Sam Allen, Steve Lloyd (acting chair), Pastor Dave Bruns, Kent Rasmussen, and Steve Feazel

Special Guests: Trent Smith, Music & Worship Arts Ministries

Opening Prayer & Devotion – Sam Allen

- Sam presented the opening prayer and devotion. Using scripture Sam demonstrated how Jesus came to serve others. This is contrary to our culture that emphasizes self serving. Like Jesus, elders need to demonstrate servant leadership.

Approval of the March 14, 2010 meeting minutes – Minutes were approved following MSC by Steve Lloyd and Bob Fraga.

1. Pastor Trent Smith Pastor of Music & Worship Arts Ministries discussed a variety of issues:

- A. He emphasized that event based choirs have been successful. For example, there was an excellent turn out for the Easter service choir.
- B. He expressed his appreciation for the excellent volunteer musicians that allow him to occasionally minister to the classic service.
- C. Trent explained that he currently teaches four music classes each week at local elementary schools. In addition, various community groups call on Trent to provide music for their events. These are excellent “bridge building” opportunities.

The Elders had the privilege of praying for Trent, his family and his ministry.

2. Pastor Dave Bruns staff report

Pastor Dave reported that following:

1. Pastor Trevor Davis, Jim Dally, Pastor Dave Montoya and he are meeting to discuss “discipleship pathways” for new believers. Pastor Dave emphasized the important role that small groups play in this process.
2. He also reported that 56 people attended the first in a series of marriage classes presented by Pastors Shelton and Montoya.
3. Pastor Dave briefly mentioned the role of elder’s at the Classic Service. (Attached to the minutes is a list indicating monthly elder assignments for the Classic Service).

3. Elder reports:

- A. Communion: Steve Feazel: Pastor Dave Bruns discussed the possibility of acquiring a communion juice dispenser in an effort to make filling of communion cups more efficient. The elders agreed to request that the Governing Board consider purchasing a communion juice dispenser. Pastor Bruns will present the request to the Governing Board.
- B. First Impressions: Bob Fraga: The Governing Board is planning to purchase an LCD sign for the front of the church. Discussions have been held with city officials regarding the requirements for such a sign.
- C. Men's Ministry: Sam Allen: Sam reported regarding several exciting "doors" that have opened for community outreach:
 - 1. The Brady house project has now been improved to a point where it is acceptable to town officials.
 - 2. The AKB Golf Tournament has 108 individuals signed up for the upcoming tournament. Six corporate sponsors are on board as well as many others providing donations of various kinds. There will be 25-30 Las Plumas High School ROP students assisting with various aspects of the tournament such as set up and taking down, serving food, etc.
 - 3. A Chico house lot has been donated to AKB. The Men's Ministry will attempt to frame the house in four days. The house would then be completed in July. Proceeds from the sale of the house will go to AKB.
 - 4. Jim Dally will begin teaching an "understanding the basics" class on Wednesday evenings.
 - 5. The annual "Down by the River" event will occur in October.
 - 6. Plans are being made for a catered dinner for men in March of 2011. The dinner will introduce AKB and the Men's Ministry to all men in the church.
- D. Missions: The elder's were encouraged to pray for Bud Land and his wife while they minister in the Philippines.
- E. New Members: Steve Lloyd: Steve reported that the first "Starting Point" class, designed for those interested in learning more about our church and for those who are interested in membership, was held on Sunday April 11th. Fourteen people attended the class. The second class will be held at 10:30 AM on Sunday April 18. The elder's are encouraged to attend and take part in membership interviews.
- F. Oak Knoll Ministry: Sam Allen reports that this ministry outreach is going well and is a blessing to all involved.
- G. Prayer and Special Populations: Kent Rasmussen: Kent discussed the possibility of opening a room in the church once a month for corporate prayer. The elder's committed to prayer and fasting to seek God's will for a regular time of church prayer. Discussion was also held regarding the possibility of holding Holy Week events during next year's Easter season.

4. New Business:

- A. Since Mothers Day falls on the date of the regularly scheduled elder's meeting discussion was held as to whether or not to push the meeting forward one week. However the consensus was to keep the meeting on May 9th, the normal date for the elder's meeting.
- B. Pastor Dave Bruns discussed Servant Leadership using Alexander Strauch's book Biblical Eldership as our guide.

The meeting was closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Feazel, Secretary.

Next meeting is May 9th, 2010