Rush United Methodist Church
Leadership Committee Meeting
October 10, 2020

Present: Pastor Todd Goddard, Erin Bills, Tanya Hunt, Lynda Wanzenreid, Lyn Kessler, Geoff Furman, Cindy Wallace

Absent: Jim Comstock

Prayers and Concerns:

Maureen Chickillo, John Funkhauser, Erin Bills, the turkey dinner, bake sale and Super Sales.

Turkey Dinner Report:

- The dinner plans are moving along well.
- There are a few more slots to fill for volunteers and parking lot attendants.

Property Report:

- John Kessler sent a report on the progress made on building and grounds issues. A copy of that report is at the end of this report.
- The cleaning company hasn't been sanitizing the church. A PromiseLand worker will be hired to take on the job.
- The church has a lot of "stuff" that needs to be cleaned out.
- John Kessler is putting together a vendor list for what person and/or company to call for specific jobs (ie. the plumber, electrician, etc.).
- Lyn Kessler made a motion to allow the Administrators or PromiseLand (currently Kellianne and Heather) to contact vendors directly in the case of an emergency, system failure such as heat, water, etc. and then informing Leadership of said action. The motion was seconded by Cindy Wallace and passed unanimously.
- John Kessler has started a list of coordinators for jobs in the church such as painting, as well as a list of things that need to be done.
- John's foldable ladder is now iin the church garage.
- John asked if there is a policy as to who can park things (ie. trailers, tractor) as the church is liable if someone gets hurt on these things. No one seemed to know if if there is a policy.

Leadership Development:

- Pastor Todd read a passage from Corinthians about what love is and asked how it relates to what we do in the church and how we deal with members of the congregation.
- Geoff referred to a past meeting and said that, with all the stressors this year, he is troubled by how to resolve issues.
- Pastor Todd said that we are following all guidelines so it's difficult to accommodate dissenters who want to do things outside the guidelines, some of which may be: a modern service, no masks, more communication with everyone, hugging, and church community support.. The dissenters did not provide any suggestions or solutions. Erin feels that the current service is a compromise of the normal two services. Several committee members felt the dissenters were expressing their unhappiness before

COVID-19.
- Pastor Todd's perceives that older people are happy to stay away until there is a vaccine for COVID-19.

Nomination List:

- The term for serving on the Board of Trustees is 3 years. A non-member can be elected to the Board.
- Geoff volunteered to speak with Dick Wallace, Cindy volunteered to speak with Ken Graham and Erin Bills volunteered to speak with Juliet Johnson
- A Church Conference is scheduled for November 21st at 10:00AM. It will be open to to all members of the church via Zoom.

Finance: No report

SPRC: No report

Pastor Todd thanks all the members of our church for their condolences for the death of his mother. He and his family are truly grateful.

The Next Meeting of the Leadership Committee will be held on
Saturday, November 14, 2020

Notes submitted by:

Cindy Wallace

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RUMC Properties Report as of 10-8-20

Parsonage:

- All maintenance items have been addressed/repaired: no cost to the Church

Church & Property:

- Garbage dumpster fence has been replaced and stained: no cost to the church
- Asphalt Project: potholes, wash out area repaired, basin built, path the garage installed for easy access for lift ETC: no cost to the church
- Roof Project: Appeal for reconsideration made to Church Mutual, response required by 10-22.
    - 8 quotations received to replace roof should Church Mutual not support the replacement. Proposal review and vendor selection being developed, looking for 2 or 3 parishioners to add to vendor selection team if required. Working with Tanya to select individuals. Funding process being investigated as approved by Church Conference.
- Parking Lot Light Project: Complete with lights working. Fine grading and seeding to be done by the church in the spring post settling of soil. The last Memorial gift covered the required funding for the project(s)
- Post Service Sanctuary Sanitation: Effective 9-27 Kerina Czysz hired to do light cleaning and sanitize at a reduced rate versus Reliable Cleaning.
- A vacuum will be purchased for the church (none exist) cost to be under $300 donations will be accepted post the purchase. Can't vacuum with no vacuum cleaner.
- Cleaning Service: Reliable Cleaning under evaluation quality of work has been unsatisfactory. Monitor and evaluate going forward.
- Grounds clean-up: Trimming and maintenance in process about half done, has not been done since Covid began.
- Office Completion: One window frame is left to be painted Dick Wallace will complete. Once done the project will be complete.
- Electronic Door Locks: Working with Geoff Furman and Paul Kingsley to get project complete, will need to purchase several door handles and miscellaneous items, estimated cost under $500. Progress slowed due to health issue. Update in November.
- Security System: Alarm call list has been updated effective 10-7-10 to 1) Geoff Furman 2) Kellianne Williams 3) John Kessler. Meeting to be held with the Security Company, there are way **TOO MANY** alarms, we are running at a rate of over 20 per year. If the church were in Henrietta or most other Cities, we would be fined after the first 2 per year. Root causes under investigation with corrective action to follow: too many keys out with no record of who has them, too many swipe badges out, users need training, carelessness are certainly all contributors, there may also be some mechanical opportunities as well? Monthly updates to follow.
- Garbage Service: Service level is being monitored, if consistency is not improved in the next month vendor will be changed. Recycling to be discontinued as charges for said service are increasing due excess recycling material being available and the US no longer exporting such material. Disposal companies are now treating recycle goods in the dump, why pay extra for this?
- Elevator Service: Semi-annual service to take place the week of 10-12. Annual Service Agreement renewed in October.

The mission of the Rush United Methodist Church is "to live and share the love of Jesus."
Our vision is "to be more like Jesus."
Our missional priorities are "excellence in worship; ministries for children, youth, adults, and families; and mission and outreach."

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- Snow Plowing: John Barker Farmers will plow again this year. This company has done a great job for us and are very reliable. They are a bit expensive but sometimes you get what you pay for, this is a future cost savings opportunity but now is now the time to pursue this.
- Boiler Service: Boiler has been turned on and checked for safe operation. Complete maintenance check-up include verification and potential replacement of faulty thermostats will be done on 10-14. High Performance eating will be our new vendor including an Annual Service Agreement.
- Planning: In an effort to share the load and gain involvement of many (many hands make for lightwork) work has begun on developing Team Leaders to support the ongoing needs of the Church. So far, the following individuals have agreed to support this process, more to follow:
    - Lawn Care: Michelle Cuatt
    - Electrical Projects: Geoff Furman
    - Painting Opportunities: Dick Wallace
    - Inspections, Code and Fire: Jim Comstock

Additional teams will be developed over the next several weeks, we are looking for more team leaders, if you have any ideas please pass them on.

We have an immediate need for an individual to assist with hanging banners in the Sanctuary ETC. This requires utilizing a ladder, if let Cindy Wallace and/or John Kessler know of a potential candidate.

Next Projects: Idea Generation:

- Grade and seed light pole project area and the furnace replace rut project
- What are we going to do with the youth garden area, it is currently embarrassing!
- Dirt and rock piles in the back of the church?
- Paint the storage shed gray to match all other buildings
- Cleanout of storage closets and outside scrap, need a dumpster and a strong back or 2
- Move materials from attic to storage closets or throw away
- Thoroughly clean the Carpets
- Chair upholstery project
- Concern: Boiler pipes are aging need to develop a plan for maintenance, replacement or?
- **After the roof project:** Window and door repair and/or replacement. Failed glass broken hardware ETC
- By November meeting: Distribute and post RUMC Vendor list

Currently, should there be a situation within the building individuals are told to contact Building and Grounds prior to taking action. This action is high risk, why let the water run or heat be off? Get help then immediately let Leadership or the designated induvial know what has happened and action taken.

Request for Motion:

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Motion to allow the Administrators or PromiseLand (currently Kellianne and Heather) to contact vendors directly in the case of an emergency, system failure such as heat, water ETC. Informing Leadership of said action post vendor contact.

This motion will cover the vast majority of time the building is in use and reduce the risk of unintended damage.

Questions, comments, additions ETC are welcome.

Submitted by:

John Kessler