

SPRINGHILL CHURCH - SESSION MEETING MINUTES

Loving people into a relationship with Christ

Date, Place/Time: September 27, 2017, at the Bozeman Site, at 6:30 PM

- **Session Meeting opened with Prayer by Sam Knight.**
- **Session Members Present:** Lead Pastor Sam Knight (Moderator), Ryan Cook (Family Ministry Pastor), Rick Ramler, Merlin Nelson, Leslie Garner, Joe Nelson, Fred Neth, Lynn Owens, Julia Hardaway
- **Session Members Absent:** Dan Hertel, Ginny Richards, Karen Cargill, Don Lucia, Clint Croft
- **Staff Members Present:** Keith Peeler (Missional Pastor)
- **Visitor(s) Present: None**
- **Approval of Minutes:**
 - Minutes from the August 28th Session Meeting were approved as changed.
- **Correspondence:**
 - None

Reports presented:

- Dashboard metrics for last month
- Finance Team Report **Spent time in prayer for God's wisdom, trust and guidance regarding new fiscal year**
- Clerks Report
- Leadership Report **Session agreed that Joe and Karen would meet with a church member regarding his previous letter to session**
- Equipping Report
- Missional Report
- Worship Report
- Family Ministry Report
- Barnabas Base Camp Report
- Leadership Team Report

Proposal 1: Motion was made and seconded to begin the process of closing the Church Bookstore. After much discussion the motion was passed unanimously.

Proposal 2: Motion was made and seconded to confirm the recommended Christmas and New Years Eve Services. Christmas Eve services will be held at 3:00 pm and 5:00pm at the Bozeman site and at 7:00 pm at the Legacy site. New Years's Eve services will be held at 8:00 am at the Legacy site and 10:00 am at the Bozeman site. The motion was passed unanimously.

Proposal 3: Motion was made and seconded to approve the worship team to offer prayer as a response during the services at both locations. After some discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Session Spent time in Prayer over the known needs of the congregation.

Financial Report Summary: (Fiscal Operations Budget with Mortgage Payment)

	<u>August Actual</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>Fiscal YTD Budget</u>
Total Income:	\$ 86,397	\$ 170,855	\$ 186,653
Total Expenses:	\$ 104,541	\$ 187,327	\$ 208,169
Net Operating Income:	\$ (18,144)	\$ (16,471)	\$ (21,516)
Mortgage (Principal):	\$ 6,775	\$ 11,779	\$ 12,674
Net Cash Flow:	\$ (24,919)	\$ (28,251)	\$ (34,190)

Note: Mortgage Interest included in Total Expenses

Month End Mortgage Balance: \$1,884,945

- **What should we report to the congregation from this Session meeting?**

1. The Elders of Springhill spent time discussing ways that the commitment to prayer could be heightened and experienced. The Elders agreed that appropriate prayer experiences should become a regular part of worship services. For example, community prayer experiences at the Legacy site to be regularly included where the congregation can pray for one another and intercede, as called, for the community. In Bozeman the worship will include opportunities for people to respond to the proclamation of the word as Elders, Deacons and other prayer warriors will be available during the song of response at side locations in the worship space. Prayer is an essential element of our walk of faith as disciples by which we can make requests while in need, offer praise and ask on behalf of others. We encourage the congregation to take advantage of these opportunities.
2. It is so easy for a search team to become discouraged when their role is elongated. In light of our the desire to encourage the Worship Pastor Team the Elders continue to be in prayer for them. Please join the Elders in offering daily prayers for the members of the team as they faithfully discern God's will in seeking the right person for this role that we know God is already preparing.

Bryan Kelsey
Keith Anderson
Kody Van Dyke
Kristen Robinson

Merlin Nelson
Rachel Osen
Robyn Erlenbush
Dave Stanish

3. After much discussion, the Elders voted to begin a process of closing the Book Store at the Bozeman location. The commitment to still resource various groups of study is very clear and those study resources will be available as needed. The Book Store inventory will be sold at sale prices including a buy one get one free special during the Presbytery Meeting October 5th – 6th and beyond.

- **Meeting Closed with Prayer:** Session the Meeting was closed with prayer by Sam Knight.
- **Meeting Closed:** 9:20 pm
- **Next Meeting Dates:**
 - Prayer & Vision Meeting on October 11, 2017 at 6:30 pm at Bozeman Site.
 - Business Meeting on October 25, 2017 at 6:30 pm at Bozeman Site.
 - *Elders are encouraged to attend the staff Meetings as they are able*

Respectively Submitted by:

Attested By:

Clint Croft, Clerk

Sam Knight, Moderator