

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MINUTES  
METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GREATER ST. LOUIS  
MARCH 11, 2008**

Members Present: Keith A., Bettye B., Dave B., Valerie J., Paul L., Denise S., Toni S., Rev. Dr. Carol T. and Jenny W.

Others Present: Rev. Bonnie L., Rev. Bev. S.

- I. Rev. Dr. Carol T. called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.
- II. Toni S. led us in an opening prayer.
- III. Rev. Dr. Carol T. established that we had a quorum with all Board members present.
- IV. The proposed agenda was presented with two additions under New Business. It was then accepted by consensus.
- V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. February, 2008 Board Meeting Minutes**

Toni S. moved to accept the February, 2008 minutes as presented. Denise S. seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION 08-0301\***

**B. February, 2008 Informational Forum Minutes**

Denise S. moved to accept the Informational Forum minutes with changes. Dave B. seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION 08-0302\***

**C. February, 2008 Congregational Minutes**

Denise S. moved to accept the 2008 Congregational minutes with corrections for the numbering and who seconded one of the motions. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION 08-0303\***

## VI.REPORTS

### A. **Membership - Bettye B.**

Bettye B. reported that our current membership is 347. Judy B. and Rev. Rachelle B. transferred their membership to another MCC.

### B. **Treasurer's Report - Denise S.**

#### **January, 2008 Financial Report**

##### Balance Sheet

Under Investments **Short Term 5823- cash account** should have been cancelled in January. Our CPA, Betty, is investigating the Retirement Withheld. Hopefully, we'll have more information on this next month.

##### Income and Expenses

Shows the Investment Income down \$6,000 due to loss on investments. It does include dividends and interest paid in January. Under Pastoral Staff, Senior Pastor, Simple IRA, this amount included a 4th quarter payment. Rev. Dr. Carol T. said that this should not even be listed for her, as all simple IRAs, what they contribute, should all be together. This needs to go under Benefits, Employee Simple IRA. The Employee Health benefit amount was withheld in December, 2007. For the month of February this will no longer be a minus. On page 3 the \$2,500 under Capital Development Committee was paid to Generis. Things that were changed from last month had to do with the internal transfer for the Building Fund. As far as the current YTD, that \$11,253.00 is Stifel Nicolaus. There's about \$4452 left; about \$2,200 of that can be attributed to moving expenses from December that were paid in January.

We're at 90% of our total income budget for January. Tithes and Offerings were at 89; total expenses were at 85%.

Denise moved to accept the January, 2008 financial report with a follow up on the retirement withheld and the simple IRA. Bettye B. seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION 08-0304\***

#### **February, 2008 Financial Report**

##### Balance Sheet

Again, we see \$0.47 under Investments, Short Term, in the wrong

place. That was put into the Building Fund-Cash account in January.

Income and Expenses

The love offering of \$743.80 was for the Gospel Service. The Miscellaneous Income in our Investment Income is down, as investments overall are down. John Russell will be here next month. The recommendation remains to sit tight. Our [\$7,264.35] is the unrealized loss of value including any net dividends or gains.

Under the Employee Health Benefits the current period is higher than the YTD because that \$180.00 had to do with December, 2007.

On page 4, we paid another \$2,500 to Generis. The big minus number at the bottom includes the [\$7264] from Stifel, Generis, health insurance, Pride, and more moving expenses.

Budget Report shows that we are at 94% in Tithes and Offerings; 92% YTD, and 103% in our expenses.

Denise S. moved to accept the February, 2008 financial report as presented. Jenny W. seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION 08-0305\***

- C. The Hope and Help Center- Rev. Dr. Carol T.**  
Rev. Dr. Carol T. said that we will have our kickoff in May, 2008. The Hope and Help Center will co-sponsor the Ezekiel Project Retreat.

**VII. CONTINUING BUSINESS**

- A. Monthly Transfer to Building Fund - Rev. Dr. Carol T.**  
The February transfer is in transit.
- B. Inactive Members' List**  
Toni S. will work with Rev. Dr. Carol T. on the letter. Thirty-four were on the list last month. Only first name and last initial will be recorded in the minutes.

Betty B. moved to approve moving the members to the inactive list as proposed. Toni S. seconded the motion. Motion carried

unanimously.

**MOTION 08-0306\***

- C. Miscellaneous Continuing Business**  
None

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Board Retreat Proposal - Toni S.**

Toni S. said that a 3-4 hour retreat would cost \$1200. Do we want to reschedule the retreat without Disk assessment? Toni S. said she would get another bid and the retreat date will be moved to another date other than March 29.

- B. Organ Rental - Rev. Dr. Carol T.**

Roger J. is offering to rent us his organ at \$250/month. We would need to pay for cartage, installation, and insurance. He, as owner, would provide maintenance. This is a digital organ that would plug into our soundboard. The sale price is \$19,500.

Rev. Dr. Carol T. moved that we rent this organ for \$250/month with the terms of rental that were suggested from Roger J. with gratitude. Toni S. seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION 08-0307\***

- C. Election of Board Officers**

Denise S. moved to elect Dave B. as Treasurer. Toni S. seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION 08-0308\***

Toni S. moved that Denise S. become the Vice Moderator and that Bettye B. continue as Clerk. Paul L. seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION 08-0309\***

- D. Potential Laptop Computer for Video Production**

Rachel L. has a program on a laptop where the editing can be done right there during services. The laptop is \$3000-4000 and the software is \$300-400. Toni S. recommends that the proceeds from Trivia Night be used for the purchase. This recommendation will be explored with the Trivia Night team.

**E. Performance Evaluation for Senior Pastors from MCC - Jenny W.**

Jenny W. said she has a CD with this information if the Board would like to review it.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Bev Stephenson, Recorder