

Minutes of the Board Meeting
Victoria First Church of the Nazarene
Tuesday, December 12th, 2017

Present: Gary Bennett, Heather Prendergast, Mary Ann Timmins
Al Anderson, Amanda Carlos, Robert Hughes, Kwok-Ying Jackson,
Sarah McClure, Liza Mueller, Steve Prendergast, Lorna Sainsbury,
Arnie Seibel, Kevin Seibel, Rick Tiede, Maisy Wickett, Eric Yue
Absent: Calvin Black, Rick Tiede, Eric Yue.

- I. Devotions and Prayer**
 - A. Robert Hughes led the Board and staff in devotions and prayer.
- II. MSC Adoption of the minutes of the November 14th meeting.**
- III. Reports and Business Arising from the Committees.**
 - A. Senior Pastor - Pastor Gary Bennett - written**
 - B. Associate Pastor - Calvin Black**
 - 1. Written Report.**
 - C. Associate Pastor - Mary Ann Timmins**
 - 1. Advent.** The first two weeks of Advent have gone well. On the first Sunday, we had many people involved. Mary Ann felt very blessed by all that participated. The children did a great job this past Sunday.
 - 2. Children and Youth.** The BUGS, SLUGS and Teen programs are finishing up for the season. They will resume in January.
 - 3. Fellowship.** Mary Ann thanked Maisy and Kwok-Ying for all their work in providing support in the kitchen during Fellowship time. The children loved the chocolate fountain this past Sunday.
 - D. Executive Pastor - Heather Prendergast**
 - 1. Written report.**
 - 2. Words of Gratitude.** Heather thanked the Maisy and Kwok-Ying for the exceptional food and decorating for Advent. She thanked Arnie for coordinating the construction of the platform. Heather also thanked Mary Ann for her leadership in producing the Worship services during Advent. This takes a great deal of work. Mary Ann has demonstrated the underlying goal of helping people engage in worship.
 - E. NMI – Amanda Carlos - written report**
 - F. Buildings & Grounds – Rick Tiede, Robert Hughes, Steve Prendergast, Liza Mueller - written report**
 - 1. Fire Inspection.** A fire inspection was completed recently. The emergency light outside the men's washroom needs attention.
 - 2. Security.** The door at the back of the church has been found unlocked on numerous occasions. The committee is looking in to solutions.
 - 3. Thank you note.** Arnie suggested that a card of appreciation be given to Larry Sainsbury for all his extra work during Advent.
 - G. Worship – Eric Yue - away - no report**
 - H. Fellowship - Kwok-Ying Jackson, Maisy Wickett**
 - 1. Written report.**
 - I. Outreach. Al Anderson, Arnie Seibel**

1. Mustard Seed Agape Dinners. The next dinner is scheduled for December 16th. One hundred wrapped socks will be handed out along with a message and a candy cane. A further fifty socks will be handed out in the new year.

2. Street Outreach. Al updated the Church board on his Monday night ministry to people who live on the streets.

J. Discipleship - Sarah McClure, Lorna Sainsbury

1. Weekly Bible studies. Lorna and Sarah will be connecting with Bible study groups in the near future.

2. Thank you notes. The committee has identified someone to give a thank you note to for their volunteer service.

K. Administration and Finance - Kevin Seibel

MSC that the November reports be accepted as presented.

L. Sanctuary Youth Centre. - written report

1. Written report

VI. New Business

A. General Business

1. Calendars. December and January calendars were reviewed.

Please add:

December 16th - Mustard Seed Agape Dinner

December 24th - Note: The morning service will be one hour in length.

B. Other business:

1. Social Media Policy--Included in the meeting package was a letter from Garry Preston addressed to the Calvin, Mary Ann and Heather.

II. Adjournment and Prayer. Arnie Seibel closed in prayer at 8:40 p.m.

Next Board Dinner meeting:

6:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 9th, 2018

Devotions: Sarah McClure

Recorded by: Sheri Eisenhuth, Office Administrator