

MINUTES FOR  
GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MAY 25, 2010

Board Members Present: Kristin Braziel	Derek Magill
Sid Cook	Barbara Spivy
Mike Curtis	Deryl Surratt
Bobby Halliburton	David Swille
Mark Hankins	Mark Turner

Board Member Absent: Gail Marlatt

Ministry Team Members Present: Pastor Hildebrandt, Pastor Hintze, Sherry Burgdorf

Sid Cook called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.. Pastor Hildebrandt opened the meeting with prayer.

Sid gave the devotion entitled “ Good Times, Bad Times”

Ken Homeyer gave an Elder’s report stating that Pastor Hildebrandt had made us current with media ministry and stated he was open to change if any given procedure did not work or was not effective. The Elders considered him effective in his ministry at Grace. Ken asked the Board to consider a change to the by-laws in regard to the number of elders appointed. The by-laws currently read that six (6) elders shall be appointed by the Board but the elders do not think this is sufficient to cover the needs of our congregation.

A motion was made by Mike Curtis and a second by David Swille to approve the minutes from the BOD April meeting. Motion carried.

Sid had minutes from August 8, 2006 meeting that confirmed the approval to support the Synod’s A Blaze program.

Pastor Hildebrandt gave the following reports:

Pastor’s report:

- We have begun the process of moving the church nursery to our current church office. Pastor Kevin will be moved by May 17 to LouAnne’s former office.
- The Ministry Team will begin the process for the next budget in mid-June to have out first numbers in mid-July
- BOD members have a compilation of their job description in their mailboxes.
- Three focus areas for Grace: WORSHIP, SMALL GROUPS AND DISCIPLESHIP

- Main issues at Grace that need resolution: DISCIPLESHIP & STEWARDSHIP – Broken systems: member giving of time, talents and treasures, elders, altar guild, BOD, greeter, men’s ministry as examples
- Convergence of areas of ministry for August-October: OUTWARD FOCUS, VISION, PROPERTY, GOVERNANCE, MINISTRY AUDIT & DISCIPLESHIP

#### Elizabeth Hilsabeck – Music and Worship Arts

- Worship – The Psalm Series concluded on May 9 with a service focusing on Psalm 23. The 11:00 A.M. service has begun with opening music at 10:53 in hopes that people will enter the sanctuary and begin their worship time.
- Preschool Music – The Preschool Spring Program and Graduation is May 14 at 7:00 P.M.
- Fundraising Event – The praise team will be playing at Olenjack’s Grille on June 6, 7:00 P.M.. Olenjack’s has committed to giving back 10% of the day’s profits to the performing church.
- Vacation Bible School – I am leading opening and closing each day at VBS.
- Handbell Festival /Conference – I am the local liaison for the Region IX American Guild of English Handbell Ringers Festival on June 25-27 at the Arlington Convention Center. Several of our ringers will be attending. We are in charge of handling loaner bells and equipment for the event in exchange for 10 free registrations..

#### Greta’s report – Children’s Ministry

- No Kids Power Hour on 5/30 – Memorial Day Weekend
- Summer KPH will run 12 weeks, June 6<sup>th</sup>-Aug 29<sup>th</sup>, taking July 4<sup>th</sup> off. The summer program will be using all interactive multimedia based curriculum from KIDMO.. Heidi Peterson will be leading the Preschool class using “Lil K”. Red Hoar will lead Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> graders using KIDMO’s “Johnny Rogers” series. There will be an 8 week summer class for parents of children age 2-18 using the video series “Everyday Parents Can Raise Extraordinary Kids” by Dr. Scott Turansky & Joanne Miller. This series will be led by Peggy & Steve Alloy.
- EGG – There are 3 – 4 Mini Fishing Events planned for the summer called Community Playground Day.
- Club Grace along with the Jr. and Sr. High youth held an outside Memorial service honoring Brunelle Pederson. During the service a red oak tree was planted on the northeast side of the building in her memory. Lucy Barrows will order a plaque to be placed in front of the tree.
- VBS will be held June 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> from 9am – 12 noon each day. The theme will be “High Seas Expedition” using curriculum from Group Publishing. Pastor Hildebrandt will be offering a parenting class “Have a New Kid in 5 Days” as an outreach during VBS.

#### Glynn’s report – Facility Manager

- I am organizing a May sweat equity day for the school. In May we have a new contract with Green Mountain for electrical service with a fixed rate of \$0.07230 per KWH
- Roof repairs are on hold pending a report from a new roofer on previous hail damage.
- Parents of two students have volunteered to repair the school sign
- I am getting prices for door entries for church and school. Door entries will be by door button located in offices and by a card system.

Pastor Kevin's report – Youth Ministry

- 35 youth participated in our recent youth ministry lockin.
- We are currently looking for more service oriented projects around the church to improve our campus.
- There will be 33 people going to New Orleans for the National Youth Gathering this summer. Our fundraising goal in order to send everyone is around \$12,000-\$15,000
- The Jr. High is currently studying the Gospel of John. The Sr. High is studying the book of Joshua.
- Confirmation Sunday is May 16<sup>th</sup> with 7 students to be confirmed. We are evaluating our Confirmation material to see what direction we follow in the future.
- UTA – Volunteers are needed this summer to clean up the student center in preparation for next fall.

Sherry Burgdorf – Grace Lutheran School

- Steve in Knoxville with DI team.
- Renovation plans – Sam Smith, an inspector and a fire inspector visited our facility to see what would need to be done in order for us to expand our early education program to include infants. There are many challenges as our Certificate of Occupancy is for a Mother's Day Out program. A church is considered a residential zoning and a preschool would need to be rezoned because it cannot qualify under residential
- We have signed an agreement with Edline to help us develop a more streamlined website for the entire school
- Steve attended a day-long workshop for Jr. & Sr. High English teachers sponsored by the Texas District in which new info regarding standards for the writing component of language Arts was discussed. Our English teachers will be working together to establish new standards to determine how to better prepare our students for SAT testing.
- There will be a summer enrichment camp at Grace Lutheran School beginning June 7 and ending August 13. The program will include children 13 months old though those entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Motion was made and seconded to enter executive session at 8:05 P.M. Derek made motion and Mark Turner seconded motion to close executive session at 8:14 P.M. Motion carried.

Bobby Halliburton reported on the current status of the possible addition of handicap restrooms. There are 4 bids ranging from \$190,000 to \$220,000. There could be hidden fees such as permits and impact fees. He will have a recommendation for contract to bring to board by 2<sup>nd</sup> week in June.

10 minute break at 8:25 P.M.

Derek Magill – Treasurer’s financial report

- Cash deficit due to unexpected expenditures. \$7,000 – AC repair, \$4,000 tree trimming and cleanup, \$10,000 deficit on Michael Card concert, \$19,000 on irrigation system ,larger gas and heating expenses due to our cold winter. Two oprtions were discussed to alleviate our finances – Mortgage or line of credit.
- As of April 30, 2010 all checking and savings accounts combined totals leave us a cash balance of \$279,470.79.

A special BOD meeting will be called at the end of June with a special called voter’s assembly meeting to follow in early July..

Next regular BOD meeting will be second Tuesday in July.

Executive session was called at 9:50 P.M. and closed at 9:58 P.M.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 10:00 P.M. Motion carried.

All joined hands to close with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Spivy