

Board of Trustees Meeting
July 15, 2025

Members in attendance: Bob Scott, Doug Johnson, Pastor Jeff Tally, John Ashton, Edd Johnson, Vanessa Gonzales, Mike Platz, Pastor Ffej Stephenson, Larry Larson and Linda Casteel
Member absent: None

A quorum was established

Visitors included: Carla Johnson, Cleone Larson, Shamber Brown, and Rick and Ruth Hanzlik

President Bob Scott called the meeting to order at 6:05 and Pastor Jeff opened us in prayer and gave a devotional on Psalm 27:13-14.

Larry Larson moved and Edd Johnson 2nd to approve the minutes for June 17th. These minutes were unanimously approved.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Jeff stated the next Adult Education Class beginning on 8-6-2025. This 3-week class will focus on "The Gifts of the Holy Spirit." Pastor also indicated summer attendance remains strong Last summer attendance through mid-July was 201 and this summer it is averaging 229.

Pastor Ffej had nothing to report at this time.

Missions and Ministries: Larry reported that the committee received a request from an LCMC church in Texas for \$5000 for aid for flood victims there. This has been sent. Kathy will include this notice in the Wednesday announcements.

At Large: Edd reported people are more aware and more conscious of the need to contribute. John Ashton's talk was moved to July 27th.

Marketing: Vanessa reported we did not continue a service with Google as it was not effective. We have received 170-500 views on the internet for the traditional and blended services, with an average of 189 views for blended services. Shamber was asked to check with tech savvy high school students who may be interested in helping with marketing/technology for approximately 5 hours/week. Shamber and Vanessa will also be preparing a summary of what marketing can be doing for GSLC.

Secretary: Linda reported the April Board Meeting minutes will be posted on the bulletin board along with the proposed minutes of the July meeting.

Financial: Mike reported the following:

\$60,300 Total offerings

\$78,400 Total income

* Mel did mention we received a couple larger checks from members who give out of investment income

* Also got 2 Milestone checks this month and then won't have one next month

\$64,100 Total expenses

* Includes \$4260 for our yearly pushpay software renewal

* Included 2 electricity bills

\$14,300 Net profit for the month

We are still above breakeven for the year by \$10,000 which is fantastic!

Our unallocated cash balance is up to \$248,000 which is also fantastic.

The concern over the healthcare budget continues.

Facilities: John reported the leak in the basement of the church to the left of the back stairwell has been repaired. The 741 irrigation leak has been repaired. It was probably the source of the \$500 water bill. We will be checking into alerts for high water consumption. The air conditioning in the nursery has been repaired. The burned out bulbs in Fellowship Hall have been replaced with LED bulbs. However, there seems to be 2 fixtures which still need to have bulbs replaced. The railing for the communion assistants to use will cost \$150 and will be mounted on the wall. 741 has an inner window pane which has shattered and needs to be replaced. The lawn service is done every week for a flat fee of \$110/visit. They are doing very well.

Legal: Bob reports he still needs to visit with Chris McCandless regarding progress on 731.

HR: Doug had no report at this time.

New Business: We have 3 openings coming up for the Board of Trustees. Doug Tapking reported we have a candidate for Financial Trustee. John Ashton provided a summary of the duties of the Facilities Trustee. Vanessa was asked to provide a summary of the duties of the Marketing Trustee. It was recommended the current members of the Call Committee be contacted to make sure they are all engaged in this work. Doug hopes to announce candidates for these positions soon, as the November elections are approaching. Rick Hanzlik reported we need new lamp fixtures in the sanctuary. We also need to redirect/direct light into the choir loft, and we need to replace projectors in the sanctuary.

Old Business: None at this time.

Next Board meeting is set for August 12, 2025

Doug Johnson moved and Mike Platz 2nd to adjourn the meeting and this was unanimously passed. Bob adjourned the meeting at 7:03 and Vanessa closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Casteel
Secretary

