

TWINBROOK BAPTIST CHURCH

Congregational Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2016

Those in attendance: Pauline Bryan, Mark Cain, Jim and Shirley Campbell, Bill Damiano, Gladys Donoghue, Sheila Frantz, Lois Frick, Regina Gaither, Rebecca Gondwe, John and Lois Harris, Mary Honigsberg, Alan Krum, Calvin Lawrence, Lewis Laws, Gail Leeds, Piotr Lemieszko, Rev. Jill McCrory, Jack McCrory, De Polakoff, Don & Sandi Reed, Debbie Rickman, Steve Rogers, Carole Schrider, Evelyn Smith, Sherry-Lynne Stargel, and Rev. Deborah Vaughn

The meeting was called to order by Mark Cain, moderator. Pastor Jill continued with an opening prayer.

Pastor Jill stated reviewed the 2015 Book of Reports. Questions and answers were taken.

As part of the review, the 2016 Church Council was presented which included the addition of a pastor/parish relations committee. The committee, as per the TBC bylaws, is chaired by the Council chair and includes a representative of the pastor, chosen by the pastor, and a representative of the congregation, affirmed by the congregation. The representative chosen by Pastor Jill is Regina Gaither. John Harris moved to accept Mary Honigsberg as Congregational Representative on the pastor/parish relations committee, 2nd by Lew Laws. The motion passed.

The review continued noting the end of the year financials for 2015 and reports from church committees. Steve Rogers' name was accidentally omitted from the Church Leadership list under "other responsibilities" and should be listed as the person responsible for the church library.

The meeting progressed with Mark Cain making a motion to approve the 2015 Book of Reports amended. De Polakoff seconded the motion, motion passed.

Pastor Jill gave a brief pastor's report, touching on some of the activities and events that have been added at TBC. Of specific note, the SEEC pilot project has been officially approved as a permanent program of SEEC and is now called the Academy. The Academy will continue to operate out of TBC on the lower level.

The 2016 first quarter financial report was presented by Deborah Rickman and questions and answers were taken. There was lengthy discussion concerning the financial forecast of the church and the use of monies which were left to the church as a legacy gift. The church has been using that money as the budget became leaner and

leaner. There is concern about what happens when that money gives out and when that should be anticipated.

The financial report also included a report on the costs of the 60th anniversary. Debbie was glad to report that the anniversary was more than covered by donations, fundraisers, and ticket fees.

Alan Krum moved to approve the 2016 financial report. Steve Rogers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Pastor Jill opened up discussion on new business with a discussion on Rev. Deborah Vaughn and her role at TBC. Regina Gaither moved to approve Rev. Deb as a volunteer Assistant Minister. Lewis Laws seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The meeting progressed with John Harris giving a history of Habitat and the church's participation in the past. Karen Holmes is the Habitat for Humanity chair for the church. This year's Habitat project will take place from July 17th - 23rd and will be located in or around Georgetown, DE.

Pastor Jill then gave a report on the future Baltimore Road improvement project. She, John Harris, Rev. Deb, Jack, and Lewis met with representatives of Rockville City and the State Highway Administration and will continue to keep the congregation updated on the future project.

Pastor Jill updated the congregation on the calendar and planned preaching/worship themes for the summer. She thanked the congregation for their continued support of her doctoral studies at Wesley Seminary.

Pastor Jill adjourned the meeting