

Saint Matthew  
Congregation Council Minutes  
June 16, 2020 at 7 PM

President Mark Hearn called the meeting to order 7:08 p.m.

Members present (via Zoom & phone) – Frank Anders, Karen Ball, Gail Dutcher, Phil Gomez, Mark Hearn, Ross Heil, Gary Klintworth, Pastor Tim Philips, Dave Rower, Gian Schauer, Bill Stark, Sherry Whitmarsh

Guests present (via phone) –Members of the Growth Task Force: Mike Ball, Erik Ehlers, Michael Farrow, Jesse Gentry, Mandi Hall, Jessica Kelley, Stefanie Tomlinson

The Growth Task Force discussed the work they have completed to date. The material will be emailed to council. Areas discussed were branding, attendance, membership, and contributions. Team formations were recommended for membership, attendance, and contributions. Each team would consist of a team leader from the Growth Task Force, staff liaison, council member, and two or three members.

The May minutes were approved as distributed.

The financial statement was reviewed. Overall YTD we have expenses exceed income by \$4,046.

M/S/C David Rower/ Gary Klintworth: From the Saint Matthew Foundation, fund \$155.02 for Labor of Love shipping costs for 245 dresses to the Little Dresses for Africa headquarters in New York.

Vote: Yes – 12, No - 0

M/S/C Sherry Whitmarsh/Karen Ball: From the Saint Matthew Foundation approve the 4% distribution rate which is a total of \$2,290 for Mission Beyond Saint Matthew and \$10 from discretionary fund for a total of \$2,300.

Vote: Yes – 12, No – 0

M/S/C Sherry Whitmarsh/Gian Schauer: To hire two interns to work with the teens and freshman college students from June – August 31 for a budget not to exceed \$2,500. Programs have been developed and teen program which normally does not meet during the summer have requested

Vote: Yes – 10, No – 1, Abstain – 1

Pastor Tim Philips, Ross Heil, Gary Klintworth, and Gian Schauer will convene to develop job descriptions and estimated pay scale for media production and family ministry.

Discussion of reopening the office. Pastor Tim Philips will lead the reopening of the office and work with staff to determine if they want to return to the office or continue working from home.

Direction was given to Tami Gomez, to start looking at small groups and planning one or two outdoor activities at Saint Matthew. Council is requesting another survey be conducted in July.

The Search Committee for Children’s Ministry has not met for several months and have no plans to meet.

The Call Committee has met with one candidate in person.

Action between Council Meetings: The Executive Committee recommends increasing the phase 1 budget by \$1,000 for the Teen Center Audio/Visual update. Per email vote sent on May 26, 2020, the recommendation passed with 12 yes votes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Whitmarsh  
Secretary