

Congregational Meeting: February 2, 2014

Bruce Rhodes opened the meeting at 12:46 p.m. with prayer. A quorum was in attendance (167 members).

The minutes from the November congregational meeting were accepted.

David Cartwright provided a printed income statement for the period ending December 31, 2013. He highlighted some of the numbers. In relation to our budget we are currently \$84, 846 ahead in tithes and offerings received for this fiscal year. Our expenses have been greater than budgeted by \$4, 121. Our general fund operating income is greater than the budget by \$76,719. This is good news. According to giving patterns we can expect that the giving will be less over the next 6 months.

Two designated funds were pointed out:

The Building Fund of \$22, 460 has made it possible to move forward on renovation to 2 classrooms and 2 bathrooms.

The Church Plant fund has grown to \$43, 300

MOTION was made by the board to accept the following persons into membership:

Robert and Debbie Fry

Ronaldo and Elizabeth DeSouza

Mary Arden

Tony and Sharon Amatore

Jin and Leona Kim

The motion was seconded and the proposed members were accepted by voice vote.

Bruce Rhode's Report

A review of the strategic plan for VCB was presented: Evangelize non-believers and Establish community, Equip Believers and Empower servants. The leadership team of the church is looking for ways to improve in each area as our church grows.

Update on renovations: 2 classrooms are in the process of renovation now. The materials for 2 downstairs bathrooms have been ordered. The cost of this project is for the materials only. The labor is donated.

VCB Constitution: An initial draft was completed to update the constitution, but more work is required. The church leadership is beginning a review of this project.
Ministry Teams: Pray is requested for the ongoing ministry of Home Small Groups, Local Impact and the Care Team as our church grows.

Pastor Jones Report

Pastor Jones addressed the resignation of John Vosnos, giving thanks for John's work at VCB. He requested that individuals seek out an elder if they continue to have concerns about John's resignation.

Staff realignment will take place guided by VCB's strategic plan. It is a complex issue. A proposed plan will be presented at the next congregational meeting.

Attendance continues to trend upward. Since Labor Day our average attendance on a weekend has been 814. Members are encouraged to continue welcoming new attendees.

Plans for the church plant that will take place in Algonquin are progressing well. More than forty people are committed to the core group. More than \$40K is in the bank. Todd Berge continues as an intern with VCB until April 30. The launch is planned for September.

A time of prayer took place in prayer circles.

Pastor Jones closed in prayer at 1:30 pm.