

Deacon Minutes Approved  
14 June 2016

Present: Mary Lancaster, Paula Willis, Pam Parker, Cindy Taylor, Gail Stewart, and Teri Burgen

Absent: Ishi Stackpole, Matt Armstrong, Ethan Funk, Pastor Cable, and Don Vande Polder

Opening Prayer: Gail Stewart

Meeting Opened: 6:42 pm

May's Deacon Minutes: Approved as written. Ordered to be sent out to the Deacons, Session and Office Staff.

**Pastor's Report**

- None

**Team Reports**

- **Mercy**
  - See attached report.
  - Revising format of MT report to make it simpler while including information from all subteams.
- **Helps**
  - See attached report.
  - Helps team has been tasked by Ritchey to be more specific with the definition of their team.
    - Not clear on what/how to proceed.
    - Discussions and suggestions made.
    - **AI:** Cindy will email copy of Mercy Team Definition to Helps Team to use as guideline.
- **Finance**
  - See report.
- **Property**
  - No report

- **Coordinating Team**
  - See report

### **Old Business**

- Attendance Accounting
  - May Coordinating Team minutes state this lacks accuracy and has little value.
- Re-shape
  - Mary forwarded email for Re-shape to Ethan, Paula, Pam, Teri, Matt and Ishi during the meeting.
- Ministry Fair
  - Poster Sessions reviewed.
    - More costly than anticipated. Helps Team will be absorbing the cost from the conversations budget. AI: Helps will coordinate with Ethan/FT on how to move money to appropriate account.
    - Posters too small and crowded together.
    - Food was a distraction.
    - Bulk of the work was performed by 2 people and time was rushed to get the posters to print in time for display.
    - Review and standardization of posters needs improvement.
    - Some posters not printed, some lacked pictures submitted.
    - Posters may have been a bit overwhelming for those who were not already familiar with the various teams.
  - Areas for future improvement, if considering another event of this type:
    - Know costs of project before committing to process.
    - Allow teams to format and submit posters in a pre-made template, which can be reviewed by team hosting event.
    - Consider separate manned tables/areas for individual teams that may have food, give-away, handouts, and/or signups to encourage members to engage with teams.
  - Other ideas for getting Team information out to congregation
    - Highlight team during church services
      - Possibly taking one Sunday per month to allow more visibility of what we do
      - Could highlight missionary 3 Sundays of the month and use 4th Sunday to highlight one team/subteam
      - First team suggestions made to connect new comers to members during services
- Amos House
  - Insurance policy not yet reviewed

### **New Business**

- Deacon/Session Combined Meetings
  - A motion was made by Gail and seconded by Pam to move the Deacon meeting to Thursday night on the 2 Thursdays when the Joint Session/Deacon meeting is hosted by Session.
  - Discussion about Ritchey not being able to attend, but possibly having Michael fill in on those 2 Thursdays was entertained.
  - Unanimous approval by all who were present.
- AED
  - Proposal submitted by Mercy Team for purchase of LIFEPAK CR Fully Automatic AED. See attached.
  - Unanimous approval.
  - **AI:** Cindy to discuss with Ethan what funds may be used for this acquisition. Then the proposal will be forwarded to Session.
  - **AI:** Mary to respond to Don Kuenzi's letter suggesting replacement of AED.

### **WOW reports**

- Last Sunday's sermon on Psalms 36: 1-12 with the "whisper of Satan"
- Cook Team: A lot of new members have joined the team and have already signed up for the next season. Enjoy a lot of camaraderie and even a lunch provided by Chris Stackpole.
- God's providence in placing Mary's brother's girlfriend, Christina, with Mary's mother during a time of medical need.

Closing Prayer: Pam Parker

Meeting adjourned: 8:05 pm

Next Meeting: 12 July 2016

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Taylor  
Clerk of Deacons

Mary Lancaster  
Moderator