

## **Minutes**

### **WBLUMC Board of Directors Meeting**

**October 20, 2020, 7:00AM via Zoom video call**

Members Attending: Jeff Lantto, Chair, Pastor Bill Eaves, Amy Swanson, Margie Grilley, Al Rausch, Julie Perreira, Jan Peterson, Chin Oji.

Opening – Pastor Bill opened with a prayer

Volunteer to take minutes – Margie

#### **Agenda Items:**

- Minutes of 9-15-2020 Board Meeting were approved by email and have published on the church website.
- New Board Members: Welcome to the two new board members, Chinwendu (Chin) Oji and Jan Peterson, who were elected by the congregation at the Church Conference meeting held 10-6-2020. By agreement, Jan will serve a 3-year term and Chin will finish serving Ginger Davis's term, which has two years left. Bill nominated Jeff to serve another one year as board chair. Amy seconded the nomination. All approved.
- Church Reopening Update: Bill reported on the first in-person church service held on October 18<sup>th</sup>, with 37 people in attendance. The reservation system worked well and people reported feeling safe and comfortable. Inside services will be held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month for the foreseeable future and online services will continue to be produced and aired weekly. Jeff and Bill praised the hard work of the reopening committee. Everyone agreed that the outside services were excellent. Bill talked about the value of the online services, that he receives letters and kind words, and that new people continue to find us.
- Staff Updates: Peteria has transitioned into a new role as Digital Minister to provide audio/video production, and will be responsible for online worship services as well as building up our online presence. She will continue to direct the handbell choirs, when they are able to meet in person. Gerald will take over responsibility for traditional music, along with directing the choir and managing the choral scholar program. We have an opening for a PT organist. A promising candidate for Children's Ministry Director was offered the position but turned it down. Staff-Parish Committee asked Missie to take on the children's program to provide continuity during the pandemic and the position will be re-evaluated post-Covid.
- Finance Committee Update: Office staff has applied for loan forgiveness of the \$88,000 Paycheck Protection Program loan. The money will be spent once they have approval of loan forgiveness. Board discussed two options for spending. The church received a \$500 donation toward the music program. Jan moved to accept the donation. Julie seconded. All

approved. Bill reported that Pat applied for and received a \$1000 grant from the City of White Bear Lake.

- A list of the upcoming dates of Board Meetings thru December 2020 is attached for Board Members to note—where & when we can meet will be determined as time or events dictate.
- The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 17 at 7:00AM.

## UPCOMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING DATES

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Minute Taker</u>	<u>Treat Provider</u>
2-18-20	Julie Perreira	Bonnie Greenleaf
3-24-20	Margie Grilley	
4-21-20	Julie Perreira	
5-19-20	Bonnie Greenleaf	
6-16-20	Margie Grilley	
7-21-20	cancelled	
8-18-20	Margie Grilley	
9-15-20	Julie Perreira	
10-20-20	Margie Grilley	
11-17-20	TBD	
12-15-20	TBD	