Agenda: Mission Council and Budget Team

Monday September 23, 2019

6:30 PM Parlor

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(Starred items on the Weebly site linked above)

Attendees: Richard Taiwo, Dave Ivaska, Younan Shiba, Dick Warnecke (Elder), Peter Steffen, Sharyn Wilson-Woods (Elder), Cam Traut, Susan Wilkins (co-chairs), Caryl Weinberg (staff).

(Mission Budget Team members who were present on the conference call, September 18, 2019: Renee Cox, Bill Floyd, Ron Ehresman, Richard Taiwo, Caryl Weinberg, Susan Wilkins)

6:30-7:00 Dinner

7:00-7:20 Prayer – Ron

7:20-7:35 Update Items (Caryl)

* Fall Sunday School Class: Messengers of Hope \*\*\*\*
* Good News Dinner: Honoring Dick and Barbara Warnecke: two seats available
* Caryl’s trip to Turkey for the IFES/MENA grad/alumni meeting (Sept 30-October 10)
* Langham Invitation October 6,7.8\*\*\*\*
* Community Shopping Event: Bright Stars Scholarships Dec. 12
* Overnight Shelter Dates: December 29, 2019-January 19, 2020
* September 28 and 29
  + 9/28 6P: Dinner; 6:45 Program: Testimonies from Bethlehem
    - Need help with Dinner.
    - May need driver to pick them up at North Park and bring them to the hotel on the 28th at 3:30 PM on Saturday afternoon.
  + 9/29: Driver(s) to airport: (Maybe Jack) Munther on Sunday immediately after second service.

7:35-7:50 Budget Team Updates (Ron and Susan) **(All Items\*\*\*\* in our September folder in the budget folder or the “Christudas folder”)**

(Note each item had a unanimous decision of the budget team)

1. Honorariums in general for adult ed going forward in 2019:  Suggested:  Local speakers $150, International $200
2. Special honorarium for Munther Isaac for: Saturday night, Sunday School, preaching two services: He’ll receive $400 from Pastor for preaching two services. Mission will add an additional $600 for a total honorarium of $1,000.
3. Bethlehem Bible College:  We agree they would be a strong partner which adds another evangelical/theological dimension to our focus on Palestine. Because we do not know our budget for 2020, we suggest a special gift of $2,500 to present the weekend of September 28. \*\*\*
4. Rebecca Laudarji - - CRU asking for support for campus work in Portland: We agreed to NOT give any funds. Our focus is primarily InterVarsity CF. Other new campus engagement that we have considered has been indigenous international ministry. \*\*\*\*
5. Christudas – Requesting funds for building in a high-risk mission area.  Total project cost:  $25,000. There is a possibility for a matching grant right now. We suggest a gift of $3,000 now with the possibility of another gift at the end of the year, depending on pledge income and the status of our budget.\*\*\*\*
6. Good News Partners Dinner on Sept 26 honoring Dick/Barbara Warnecke:  Mission will buy half a table- $750.   (Take from Undesignated)

NOTE that after these funds are taken from Mission Carry Forward, we will have a remaining balance of $12,670. And if we stay exactly to budget, and pledges comes in as pledged, we will have a reserve of $12,045.

7:50-8:20: Small Group Breakout: (See Impact Survey, Budget Document for 2020 and Budget Cover Letter\*\*\*\* ***Caryl will bring hard copies of the Budget Doc. for each person, as well as the cover letter. There will be 2-3 copies of the impact survey to share.)***

* Group 1: Stewardship Questions:
  + “Tell a Story”
    - Where have we been?
    - Where are we?
    - Where are we going?
* Group 2: Session Questions:

  1. Are they aligned with the Church Mission Statement?

  2. Are they established and ongoing?

  3. How do they impact Church resources (staff and volunteer time and the Church budget and facilities?

  4. Are they aligned with the Strategic Plan goals?

  5. Are they aligned within Church council?

8:15: Regroup: Present

Before leaving: Can we move our November meeting date to November 17th? Then we can meet with two visitors from Ukraine who will be speaking in Sunday School.

Current Priorities:

* Adult Education/curriculum:
* Communication/Congregation Engagement
* Mission Partner Care:
* Community Outreach (Evanston):
* Mission Trips:
* Refugees/First Friends