

Princeton Baptist Church Quarterly Meeting 2021 Minutes

July 18, 2021

Time 11:00

Call to Order- Rob Nicholls and Kyle Nichols

Members in attendance: Rob & Kelly Nicholls, Kyle & Rachel Nichols, Peter & Marja Van Genne, Martin & Rhianfa Riel, Jeff Fry, Pete Van Genne, Edith Howarth, Frieda Marttunen and Susan Herczku, Jason & Erin Williams

Non-members in attendance: Kevin & Nettie Hills, Rebecca Stauffer, Thomasina Murdock, Elvira Goerzen, Chris & Carolyn Mortensen

Kyle opened in prayer

Quorum was met

Update on Grant and why we did not fill the intern position

- Will review this at the 2022 AGM

Jeff is leading the Jr Youth committee

- 12 – 14 Volunteers

Budget for 2021 was postponed from the March AGM due to many factors

- COVID
- New Chapel etc

Peter Van Genne discussed the renovations at the Chapel

- If you wish a tour, contact Peter

2 items on the agenda

- 1) Proposed Budget for 2021
- 2) New Constitution

Budget:

- Salary increases (Kyle and Susan left room during discussion)
- The Board unanimously decided to pay a fair market wage
- The Fellowship Pacific matrix was used
- Kyles pay will increase
- Susan's will not but a benefit package will be added
- Rob mentioned that the new budget is only up 3% from 2020
- Food Bank operating cost will be aprox \$14,000 which they will cover this year
- The money has moved from the FB income to the Churches to pay expenses
- Missions: MAF we are proposing to support them
- We support now: Mexico, Twele's, Young Life, Tulahead and Teen Challenge

New Constitution

- Discussed why we are looking at a new one

- Although good things in the old, much is outdated
- This new one is a live one that can be amended and tailored over time
- The “Deacons Board” will change to a “Leadership Board”
- Old Constitution did not have a limit of served time for Deacons
- Proposing to change to a 3 year term, can rerun
- After six (6) years, there must be a 1 year break before running again
- It was asked about women?
 - o Old and new Constitution allowed for women Deacon’s and only the lead Pastor must be a man
 - o Possibly change the “he” to they or he/she?
 - (see Part 1 (Interpretation) #3 which covers this)
- Membership process will change
 - o Old parameters needed 50% with proxy voting
 - o New will need 25% with no proxy voting
 - To encourage people to attend and partake but not be held back if they do not
 - If no quorum met, will hold another meeting the following week and if still no quorum, will only need 3 people
- To become a member, we had an interview with the Pastor and two Deacons
- Now an email will be sent to the membership advising who is up for membership
- Number of members – 36 as of today
- Kyle wanted it to be clear that we are voting on a starting point and we are open to amendments
 - o Changes we are proposing
 - Adding back the proxy vote
 - Having a higher quorum (75%) for special resolutions

A vote was taken by ballot for both the Budget and New Constitution

- o Budget accepted 21 Yes 1 No
- o Constitution accepted 19 Yes 3 No

Question: How do we submit changes that we would like?

- o Submit in writing to the Deacon

No further questions

Rob closed in prayer

Adjourned