

FirstCoast Metropolitan Community Church

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Monday, April 19, 2021 – BOARD MEETING via ZOOM

Following the Son in 2021

Current Board: Interim Lay Pastor Jackie Gascho – Moderator, Julie Russell-Vice Moderator,
Sandy Speck -Clerk, Mari Gilman - Treasurer

CURRENT ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP – 51

Opening Prayer

Review of Agenda & Motion to Accept

REPORTS

Clerk of Board Report

1. Minutes from March 15, 2021 BOD Meeting (Sandy)

Financial Report

1. **March** 2021 Income & Expense Report
2. Misc Items (Numbers, Taxes, Assessment Report)

Ministry Area Reports (As Needed)

1. Service Ministry

Pastoral Transition Update

1. Interim Lay Pastor Jackie

Next location Plan Update

1. Update from the meeting to discuss ‘Next Location Planning Team’ via Zoom

Covid-19 & Meeting in Person Update

1. Local Health Management Update from Dr Carol
2. Review and Update Current Plan as Needed
3. Update from Meeting to Discuss **Meeting in Person** Prep Plans

CARRY OVER ITEMS / Updates

1. Insurance March 1 2021-2022(Mari)
2. Update of potential members to purge

NEW BUSINESS

1. Membership Changes – if any (Sandy)
2. Monthly Outreach
3. May BOD Meeting May 17, 20221 via zoom@ 6 pm

Close in Prayer

Closed Executive Session – if needed

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Current Board: Jackie Gascho, Mari Gilman, Julie Russell, Sandy Speck

BOARD PRESENT: Interim Lay Pastor Jackie Gascho, Mari Gilman, Julie Russell, Sandy Speck

BOARD ABSENT: none

LAY DELEGATES: Jackie Gascho

OTHERS PRESENT: Hazel Simpson, Lydia Williams

Active Members: 51

TASK ITEMS

- The meeting began at 6:00 PM
- Pastor Jackie opened with prayer.
- Review of the agenda.

MOTION to Accept Agenda Sandy/ Julie. Motion Passed

CONSENT AGENDA REPORTS

CLERK'S REPORT

- Minutes from February 15, 2021 BoD meeting. (Sandy)

MOTION to accept the February minutes Sandy/Mari, Motion Passed

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT March 15 BOD Meeting (Mari)

February Income & Expense and Miscellaneous Items Report

- Reviewed weekly attendance numbers.
 - February weekly average \$1,250
 - \$1,191 weekly YTD average (\$769 weekly Budget)
- Reviewed the Income & Expenses for February 2021
- February Taxes were paid to the IRS on 3/11 via online.
- February Assessment Report was completed and mailed to MCC on 3/6 with the check.
- The reports are on our web site for viewing.

MOTION to accept the Treasurer's reports Mari/Julie, Motion Passed

MINISTRY REPORTS AS NEEDED:

Service Ministry: (Lydia and Mari: Blessing Bags)

Lydia says she has been personally giving out six to eight bags per week. Currently has ample supplies but welcomes any donations which are always listed on the midweek.

Mari gave 25 bags to Dining With Dignity to be distributed to the clients.

Received as information.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Interim Pastor Report: Jackie checks on people as needed - saw Ruthie who has shingles; she and Mari went to visit Rainbow; Book Study will be meeting for the last time for the current book.

Received as information.

Location plan Update: (Mari) Focus on two points: location and protocol for meeting in person. Seven Possible locations contacted with two potential sites, both hotels. Tomorrow night's meeting will begin reviewing specific line items for gathering. Six to eight people consistently on the 1-1 ½ hour call.
Received as information.

Covid-19 & Meeting in Person Update:

Dr Carol Grigg sent the following report to the BOD that was read at the meeting.

CDC Guidance as of 3/8/2021

NEW YORK (AP) — Fully vaccinated Americans can gather with other vaccinated people indoors without wearing a mask or social distancing, according to long-awaited guidance from federal health officials.

The recommendations also say that vaccinated people can come together in the same way with people considered at low-risk for severe disease, such as in the case of vaccinated grandparents visiting healthy children and grandchildren.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced the guidance Monday. The guidance is designed to address a growing demand, as more adults have been getting vaccinated and wondering if it gives them greater freedom to visit family members, travel, or do other things like they did before [the COVID-19 pandemic](#) swept the world last year.

“We know that people want to get vaccinated so they can get back to doing the things they enjoy with the people they love,” said CDC Director Dr. Rochelle Walensky, in a statement.

The CDC is continuing to recommend that fully vaccinated people continue to wear [well-fitted masks](#), avoid large gatherings, and [physically distance themselves](#) from others when out in public. The CDC also advised vaccinated people to get tested if they develop symptoms that could be related to COVID-19.

Officials say a person is considered fully vaccinated two weeks after receiving the last required dose of vaccine. About 30 million Americans — or only about 9% of the U.S. population — have been fully vaccinated with a federally authorized COVID-19 vaccine so far, according to the CDC.

Received as information.

Updates: Carol sent out another CDC update this even reiterating this email and reinforcing the fact that **small fully vaccinated groups can meet in person.** (PODs). MCC is having a Zoom meeting Thursday night to talk about meeting in person and what churches are doing. Mari and Jackie will attend.

Insurance: Being finalized this week after a 10-day no-compete clause with Liberty Mutual. Considerable savings by paying annually and not having to insure the property. Still no return call from our former agent.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Annual Report and Risk Assessment to UFMCC: Provided in February
2. Membership Changes: Jan Wiley requested her membership be terminated.
3. March BoD Meeting: The next meeting will be April 19, 2021, 6:00PM.
4. Outreach: Mari to provide a list to show to whom we have given. Pie In the Sky was suggested as a recipient for this month.

Motion to donate to Pie In the Sky Sandy/Mari, Passed

5. Set dates for forum and congregational meeting: 01/23 and 01/30 respectively will be the two dates so there is time to get the packet to people two weeks prior to the forum. We will put it in the midweek so people can put it on their calendars well in advance.
6. Membership review: Need verbiage to send a letter to people who have moved so we know whether they need to be removed. It's a financial issue and can be an educational moment for those who have moved. We will look at the list next month and Sandy will work on a letter.

The meeting ended at 7:00 PM after closing in prayer by Jackie.

Meeting Minutes submitted by Sandy Speck, Clerk

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