

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING**ST. JOHN'S UCC****NEWPORT, KY****JUNE 14, 2025**

PRESENT: Kyle Taylor-President, Dave Stamm-Vice President, Pat Goins-Secretary, Vickie Kennedy-Treasurer, Laura Haas-Past President, Pastor Marty Westermeyer-Pastor

The Meeting was called to order by Kyle at 10:05 AM.

Prayer was offered by Pastor Marty.

Minutes-Last month's minutes were sent to members prior to today's meeting. No discussion. Laura made a motion to accept the minutes, and it was seconded by Vickie. The vote was unanimous in favor, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report-Vickie had nothing to report at this time. Kyle added we haven't had to pull from investments in a while, and that we have recovered from the recent drop due to tariffs. Laura made a motion to accept this report, and it was seconded by Dave. No further discussion. Vote passed unanimously in favor, motion passed.

Pastor's Report-Pastor Marty passed around his written report. He explained a few items. Pat made a motion to accept this report, and

it was seconded by Laura. The vote passed unanimously in favor, the motion passed.

Intern Search-On hold till the fall.

Cookies and Lemonade- June 29th will include Dobin's goodbye reception. Kyle will be in charge of this. Laura will take charge of July 20th, and Pat will take charge of the August event.

Education-Laura announced she has talked to several people re: the new season of The Chosen which recently started. It was agreed that people would watch the new episodes on their own if they want and then we will watch them together in the fall and discuss them.

Laura also said she will talk to Pastor Marty about starting an adult education series re: biblical teachings, etc., in the fall.

Buildings and Grounds-Our \$25,000 goal has been met with an anonymous donation here at the end. It will be announced to the congregation at the next Sunday we give updates on the campaign.

There was discussion re: the type of celebration to have now that we have reached our goal. Some ideas were a luncheon after church in September, and have a free raffle, a split the pot, baskets to raffle off-like self-care, which Vickie said she would do, beer and bourbon basket. Vickie made a motion to have the celebration luncheon on a Sunday in September after church and have a pasta bar, split the pot, and free raffle. Kyle seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous in favor. The motion passed. Kyle offered to get the food and provide background music.

Laura asked who oversees landscaping by the Wiedeman Mansion, because the weeds have become overgrown and are making our

area look bad. She will take care of getting it cleaned up in July and she is willing to talk to the owners of the building or the realtors, to ask them to maintain the area.

Kyle wanted us to know he approved a \$3000 repair on the air conditioning system. The cooler on the roof needed repaired/replaced, it wasn't cooling the office. Last months \$1000 repair was for the cooler in the closet that wasn't cooling the office. These were two separate issues. Laura was concerned that we keep spending money to do patchwork repairs on the AC system. She suggested we get estimates from our current service about what a new system would cost, as well as estimates from other companies. Dave said a new system would probably cost \$1-200,00, so \$3000 for repair was a good deal. No action will be taken at this time re: a new system.

New server for the church-Kyle said the church server which houses all of the churches electronic documents and files is on a last leg after an assessment from CSI (the churches technology group.) The server has been struggling for the past couple of years and a new one was on the horizon for replacement. Kyle presented an offer from CSI that gave the church a new server with work to be done to make the heating and air system have remote access. The cost of the project is around \$4000.00, and half of the equipment cost is needed for a deposit in order to start the project which is about \$1000.00. Vickie wanted to know where the money was coming from, and Kyle said from the General Fund or pull from investments if necessary. No further discussion. Vickie made a motion to accept this proposal, and it was seconded by Dave. The vote was unanimous in favor, the motion passed.

Kyle said he received a quote from Altafiber to switch our phones \$210/month and Altafiber would be \$120/month for the same service. Discussion took place, Dave made a motion to switch to Altafiber and it was seconded by Laura. No further discussion. Vote was unanimous in favor, and the motion passed.

Henry Hosea House-Pat announced there is an opening at Henry Hosea House the fifth Fridays of each month-four per year, for volunteering. She will call Kim at Henry Hosea House and let her know we will take that time slot.

No further business. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Goins
Secretary