

Members Attending: Rev. Dr. Greg Mamula, Doug Larsen, Rev. Jason Owens, Jill Blaylock, Rev. Dale Pracht, Jamie Yendra, Rev. Lauren Parliament, Brad Pope, Jane Gangwish, Ashley Clevenger, Bev Pacas

Members Attending Via Zoom: Orin Clinger, Bob Fairchild, Traci Gillmar, Aaron Sprock, Carlos Argulo, Scott Jones

Morning Devotion given by Rev. Dale Pracht “The Only Way that Truly Works”. Wisdom – Living exactly as the Creator designed it to run. The team was encouraged to look at the theology first for wisdom.

Welcome and meeting opened by Jane Gangwish.

Rhonda from Antioch Center at Central Seminary presented via zoom to share updates and their focus. She presented some data on our region from recent surveys

Minutes from last meeting motion to approve

Bev Report

1. Finished final cabin after 8 years
2. Well is complete, no nitrates
3. Weaver Hall – minor finishing touches to be completed, of 16K 11K is going to be labor.
4. Pool is being filled, this year bromine will be used as a trial and evaluation on cost
5. New Welcome sign with plexiglass cover for protection
6. ABW are helping to update flooring/bathrooms. Eric Bird volunteering labor.
7. Brad and Craig are building “stairway to heaven” to star gazing deck.
8. Pursuing a couple of leaders for summer camp
9. Camp 2026 registration is up by 25
10. Spring retreats busy in March/April. May is lighter. July-November retreats will pick up.
11. New fundraiser – custom pens by Laura Almond made by wood left over from the cabins.
12. Calendar House needs windows – 2 story facility used for staff training, small retreats, family reunions etc. One window was boarded this spring.

Region Staff

Aaron Sprock

1. Gathered in Alliance for panhandle. Looking into quarterly or biannual basis due to success

2. Represented in san Francisco at great American commission, focus was on church planting
3. Re-planting/Revitalization – beginning conversations of churchs that may need help with this area – prayers for wisdom and guidance
4. Going with Greg to Orlando – International Ministries Conference
 - a. Connection with missionaries to connect back to Nebraska

Blake

1. Collassions group weekly
 - a. Summer 2026 guest speakers for these gatherings as a series for the pastors
2. Guild
 - a. Training lay members to help for preaching/pastoral care while pastor is away vacation/sabbatical etc
3. Arthur Baptist Church has become the hub for feeding volunteer firefighters during Nebraska wild fires
4. Helping gather resources for families and volunteer fire departments impacted

Lauren

1. Will be taking communications duties on
2. Space for Grace Conference attended
3. MPYC details
 - a. Prep schedule
 - b. Planning worship
 - c. Booklet for kids
 - d. Writing curriculum
4. Attending camp this summer

Greg

1. Open churches
 - a. 2nd Lincoln bringing in candidate in June
 - b. 1st Baptist Lincoln
 - i. Suspending search committee
 - ii. Looking to partner with two other churches and will evaluate
 - c.
 - d. 1st Baptist Hastings
 - i. Sold building and will rent another location starting late May and early June

Finance

Bob

1. Presented on Region and Camp reports through April.
 - a. Camp - Cost of equipment/repair and maintenance was higher – Lift station pumps/motors
 - b. Revenue to be collected for camp
2. Greg clarified 7264 full rent of 2026 and first two months of 2027
3. Designated Funds – 750K foundation, 188K rainy days (3 months)
 - a. See how foundation market investment performs after a couple of years and reevaluate
 - b. Motioned by Jamie to move 750K from checking to the foundation
 - c. Seconded by Orin
 - d. Motion Carried
4. Greg presented all churches that have given and reviewed designations on document

Aaron

1. Dept of Profession Ministry
 - a. No activity

ABM

Brad

1. Golf tournament June 6th at Mahoney
 - a. Raise scholarship money
2. Disaster Relief to Arthur Church
3. Membership focus on how to grow
 - a. Summer camp 2nd weekend in August
 - b. Discussion on timing and how to market the retreat

ABW

Nola – Greg updated that they moved their retreat to camp in June

Youth

Jesse – Greg updated that he helped organize a three church lockin

ABCUSA General Board Rep

1. Wild Fires

- a. Helped with Hot Meals USA, liked the signup feature they offer. Would like to reach out to local churches in the future to gather volunteers
- 2. Not met since November but meeting in June
 - a. New budget review officer from Kansas
 - b. Quarterly reports requested but not received
 - c. Nov meeting will be 13th-15th

Greg and Jane Committee Breakout Sessions

- 1. Staff Relations Team
 - a. to review handbook and present for August meeting
- 2. Nominating Team
 - a. Leadership team shared responsibility state for nominating candidates for future
- 3. Committee for bylaws to review and accept/change
- 4. Convention Planning
 - a. Patrick volunteered
- 5. Finance/Investments
 - a. Jamie and Bob discussed looked into annual audit. Greg to look into cost and resources that would be cost effective.
 - b. Clarify “permanent funds”
 - c. Newsletter requests for funding
- 6. Missions
 - a. Discussed how they can support individual church mission projects
 - b. Is there a list of global missions in the area/notification earlier to get them to the churches? Greg has IM list of furlough
 - i. As missionaries retire how do we notify churches to notify and possibly redirect funds
 - c. Locally
 - i. How/When do we invite other churches to join in missions?
 - d. Rev. Lauren to provide documentation on what churches give to specific missions

7. Camp
 - a. Discussed What does “develop policy” mean?
 - i. Team goal to meet middle of May to review/update
 - ii. Help kickoff fundraiser at convention
8. Staff Relations
 - a. Need 3 at large members
 - b. Review/Update job descriptions for future staff reviews
9. Budget Development to have finance committee review and consult for future budgets

Chaplain Dale closed with prayer and adjourned meeting.