

Country Club Christian Church  
Congregational Board Minutes  
February 21, 2023

**Attending:** Jennifer Austenfeld, Kathy Buckley, Liz Copeland, Dana Flora, Shelle Jensen, J.J. Jones, Phil Klever, Becky McElduff, Glenn Mills, Matt Moeder, Kay Moffat, Tom Thornton

**Not Attending:** E.J. Becker, Erin Feitz, Sara Engber

**Staff:** Rev. Carla Aday, Tulley Beard, Rev. Bryce Bowers, Rachel Clement

**Guests:** Keith Hall, Nancy Lear, LeeAnn McGill

***Call to Order***

Jennifer Austenfeld called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

***Welcome and Meditation***

Phil Klever gave an opening meditation on viewing Lent as a 40-day period in which Christians can discover what it means to be themselves.

***2022 Audit Report***

LeeAnn McGill of Ifft & Co. provided a summary overview of the audit of financial statements from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022. The Board unanimously approved a motion to approve the audit report. Nancy Lear commended LeeAnn and the church staff for the earliest audit completion in recent memory.

***Consent Agenda***

Ms. Austenfeld requested certain corrections to the draft January 10th Congregational Board Minutes and asked the Board whether there were any amendments or corrections to the items on the consent agenda. The Board unanimously approved a motion to approve the consent agenda including the January 10th Congregational Board Minutes as corrected.

***Finance Committee Report***

Glenn Mills provided an overview of the 2nd quarter financial statement. He observed several variances from budget were due to timing of income or expenses, rather than significant or unexpected variances in budgeted amounts. The statement shows roughly \$90,000 in income over expenses after accounting for timing variances around the calendar year end. Fundraising revenue and expenses in particular will reflect variances until the 4th quarter due to differences between the 2022 and 2023 fundraising schedule and events. Board members asked questions about the report, and church staff responded.

### ***Senior Minister Report***

Rev. Carla Aday reviewed key findings from the monthly dashboard. Worship attendance trended below budget and below prior year, yet above pre-pandemic levels.

### ***The Next 5 Strategic Priorities***

Rev. Aday provided updates on progress toward the Next 5 Strategic Priorities. On Goal 5 addressing utilizing technology to provide connection, the staff is busy and excited implementing Church Planning Center for attendance and other features, in preparation for Church Center to be rolled out to the congregation. Rev. Aday thanked Tepring Crocker for her service on this project. She also said plans for communication with the congregation and neighbors on construction and temporary entry/exit changes would be ramping up in the coming weeks.

### ***Executive Minister Get Acquainted***

Rev. Bryce Bowers provided a brief presentation introducing himself, his background, his job duties as Executive Minister and his specific interest in this role at this congregation.

### ***Closing Prayer***

Mrs. Austenfeld called the meeting to a close at 8:45 p.m. and Rev. Aday gave the closing prayer.