

Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Location:	Room 102 - North Campus
Date:	February 28, 2024
Time:	7:00 PM - 9:00 pm
Attendees:	Daniel Davis, April Howe, Molly Hagkull, Lois Zook, Catherine Adams, Jennifer Short, Rebecca Wolfe, Rose Konrath, Charlie Boltwood, Jim Hutchins, Mark Hollinger
Ex-officio attendees:	Liz Compton, Glen Miles, Kristyn Anderson
Guests:	Lynne Ayres
Absent:	Dwayne Ackley, Ginny Barney

Agenda items

1. Call to Order - April Howe
2. Devotion - Rose Konrath
 - a. Prayer of gratitude, ending with our Lenten prayer
3. Molly passed out the “words for the year” from the Governing Board Retreat
4. Consent Agenda
 - a. January minutes
 - b. Financial report
 - c. Operations report
 - d. Housing allowance for Clergy
 - e. By-law updates
 - f. Jen Short made a motion to accept the consent agenda.
 - g. Rose Konrath seconded the motion.
 - h. An affirmative vote was unanimous.

5. Cards for Mexico mission trip participants - Kristyn Anderson
 - a. Krystin asked for secret letters of support and affirmation for those going on the Mexico mission trip. She brought cards and envelopes so notes can be written immediately after the meeting.
6. Welcome new members/Introductions - April Howe
 - a. All members went around the room and introduced themselves with a brief bio.
7. NGL Report - Glen asked if there were any questions about the report after the Board reviewed it at the retreat. He stated that Program Staff will be reviewing it over the coming weeks.
8. Impact Stories - the Board broke into 3 groups and talked about their own impact stories, and what they believe First Community's impact story is/should be.
9. New Business
 - a. April passed out committee/task for assignments for all Board members. There will not be a Board meeting in March, but April would like all committees and task forces to meet during the month.
 - b. April discussed possible Board goals for 2024, using the 2023 goals as a starting point. 2024 goals will be finalized at the next meeting.
10. Selection of Treasurer
 - a. Catherine Adams made a motion to elect Ginny Barney as Treasurer.
 - b. Molly Hagkull seconded the motion.
 - c. An affirmative vote was unanimous.
11. Board Roles vs Staff Roles
 - a. April and Molly reviewed a document from consultant Dan Hotchkiss regarding what the Board roles in relation to Staff goals.
12. Senior Ministers Report
 - a. Glen reported that worship attendance is up 20% vs the same time last year
 - b. We have brought in 40 new members in less than 2 months.
 - c. Glen is getting feedback from members that the energy is great at both locations.
13. Adjournment/Closing Prayer - Rev. Dr. Glen Miles

Key Takeaways

1. The Board elected Ginny Barney to be Treasurer for 2024.
2. The Board approved updates to the by-laws.
3. April passed out committee/task force assignments to all Board members.
4. Glen shared that worship attendance is up 20% over this time last year and is reaching pre-Covid levels.
5. There will not be a GB meeting in March, but April would like all committees to meet at some point during the month.

Respectfully submitted by Liz Compton