

Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Location:	Room 102 - North Campus
Date:	October 23, 2024
Time:	7:00 PM - 9:00 pm
Attendees:	Daniel Davis, April Howe, Lois Zook, Jennifer Short, Rebecca Wolfe, Ginny Barney, Dwayne Ackley, Rose Konrath, Catherine Adams, Kristyn Anderson, Jim Hutchins, Dan Davis, Charlie Boltwood
Ex-officio attendees:	Liz Compton, Glen Miles
Absent:	Molly Hagkull, Mark Hollinger

Agenda items

1. Call to Order - April Howe
2. Devotion - Mark Hollinger
 - a. Mark sent April his reaction to hearing about the shooting in Georgia. He expressed his desire that faith and love must go together
3. Measuring What Matters question: Please share an impactful or meaningful experience at FC. - April Howe
 - a. Answers included youth ministry, sunrise Easter service, Mary Evans, pastoral care, and the culture/mission of First Community
4. Consent Agenda
 - a. Governing Board By-Laws
 - b. Past Chair Report
 - c. Statement of Financial Values
 - d. September Minutes
 - e. Operations Report
 - f. Personnel Committee Report
 - g. Jen Short made a motion to accept the consent agenda.
 - h. Rose Konrath seconded the motion.

- i. An affirmative vote was unanimous.

5. Financial Report - Liz Compton, Ginny Barney

- a. YTD through September 30 we are \$70k below budget, primarily due to a shortfall in contribution/pledge revenue.
- b. The forecast still shows a loss for the year. The challenge remains the revenue shortfall.
- c. We are following up with those who have outstanding New Horizons pledges to encourage paying those off this year.
- d. The 2025 Giving campaign is encouraging so far. With Estimates of Giving received so far we are up 15% over last year.
- e. Audited financials for 2023 should be released the first week of November.

6. Senior Minister Report - Glen Miles

- a. Glen shared that many in the church are feeling a “shift” at FC due to our emphasis on gratitude.
- b. The 2025 Giving campaign is going well. We are sending out reminders and putting together a call team to reach out to those who pledged in 2024 but haven’t yet submitted for 2025.
- c. Glen will be in Puerto Rico November 13-17 to attend the Board of Directors meeting of the Pension Fund of the Christian Church. (Note: after the Board meeting Glen cancelled this trip)

7. Old Business

- a. Reminder that we need nominations for the Foundation Board, as 3 members will roll off in January.

8. New Business

- a. We need nominations for Nominating Committee. The goal is to have a diverse committee, not just in demographics but also in the areas of the church they represent. Children’s areas are currently represented well. We need people from SLLC, adult choirs, Deacons, and Mission; also could use some people who regularly attend at South.
- b. The Board voted on a new Vice-Chair to take office in January 2025. Votes were tallied at the end of the meeting. After the meeting, Molly confirmed that Jen Short accepted the role.

Key Takeaways

1. As of September 30 we are \$70k below budget, primarily due to shortfall in revenue.
2. The 2025 Giving campaign is going well. We are showing a 15% increase over 2024 so far.
3. The board was asked to submit nominations for both Foundation Board and Nominating Committee.
4. Glen will be out of town November 13-17. (Note: this trip was cancelled)
5. The board elected Jen Short to be Vice-Chair in 2025