

Finance Committee Minutes
March 1, 2016

Present: Debbie Baker, Sherwin Dent, Chris Nelson, Julie Burdin, Chad Smith, Ben Williams, Pastor Carl Knapp, Ellen Gehringer

The meeting opened with prayer at 6:30pm. As this was the first Finance Committee meeting of the new year and many new members were present, Debbie Baker led the group through a review of the different financial reports she produces on a monthly basis. Significant time was spent discussing and explaining different aspects of our Church budget and the various accounts used to fund our activities.

In the absence of, Chuck Stockton, in-coming Finance Committee Chair, Pastor Knapp shared information to help the committee be aware of our future financial needs. The immediate concerns are (1) facility improvements, (2) funding camping scholarships, and (3) discipleship resources.

Some time was spent discussing options to fund camping scholarships. Currently, \$4,000 is budgeted for funding camping activities. After much discussion, the Finance Team deferred to the Camping Ministries Committee by consensus the final determination of how best to fund camping scholarships for the coming season.

Pastor Knapp also shared an informational sheet outlining options for our strategy for addressing needed facilities improvements. This Facilities Improvement Strategy was developed through discussions with the ad hoc Facilities Team over the last few months. After lengthy discussions, the Finance Committee determined by consensus that the Trustees will use currently assigned funds to address the first three improvement items – flat roof repair, interior mold remediation, and replacing damaged insulation and ceiling tiles. We will reassess our funding once these items are complete to see what else on the list can be addressed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm, and we closed with prayer led by Pastor Knapp.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Gehringer