

**Deacons of the Whole Minutes  
November 10, 2014**

At 7:30 p.m. Moderator Jeffrey Gomez called the meeting to order.

**Board of Deacons Attendance for May**

	<b>Class of 2014</b>		<b>Class of 2015</b>		<b>Class of 2016</b>
P	Deb Beshears (OR, chair)	P	Ted Brown (OR)	P	Dan Bowerman (OR)
P	Lois Boyer-Fitzpatrick (PCSD)	P	Paula Burnett (PCSD)	P	Kathy Bowerman (OR)
P	Steve Earp (PCSD)	P	Phil Eshleman (PCSD)	A	Mia Carr (OR)
P	Susie Kardel (OR)	E	Linda Larson (OR, Endow, & FF)	P	Jeffrey Gomez (Moderator)
P	Kathy Middleton (PCSD & Secy)	A	Travis Lopez (MC)	A	Connie Gowan (MC)
P	Bruce Rickert (OR)	P	LaWanda Roudebush (PCSD)	A	Tom Gowan (OR)
P	Jim Roseman (MC)	P	Gail Yingling (PCSD)	P	Wendy Hammen (PCSD)
P	Karla Ruitter (OR)	P	Craig Foster (MC, Chair)	P	Dawn Hickenbottom (MC)
P	Erika Schmidt (OR)			P	Diane Schreiner (OR)
P	Janet Stensrud (PCSD)			A	Elisabeth Riedesel (Youth Rep)
A	Christopher Tinsman (OR)			P	Ann Schwister (PCSD)
P	Jim Woods (OR)			P	Scott Sherwood (MC)

P= present, E= excused, A= absent

A quorum was present.

**Staff member attendance for**

E	Rev. Richard Miller, Head Pastor
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**Opening Devotions:** Gail Yingling

**Snacks:**

**Sign-up sheets** were passed for attendance, rides to church for the McDonalds, 2015 Communion to the Furthest Pew, Salvation Army meal servers, Angel Tree, PUNCH Thanksgiving dinner donations, servers for 2 funerals for this week

Review of October minutes - approved

**Correspondence:**

- Thank you notes received from: Sacred Heart Food Pantry, Churches United, Boys and Girls Club, Milestones, Camp Wyoming

**Outreach Committee:**

- October food pantry donations included \$129 plus 130 items.
- Salvation Army meal site served 65.
- CROP WALK received \$2,690 in donations.
- Trunk or Treat had 12 volunteers and 8 trunks.
- Prayer vigil had 20+ people participating and is growing.
- Angel Tree will begin in November. We have 150+ kids to serve. When angels are finished on 12/7, they will be replaced by other tags for additional giving opportunities.

**Pastoral Care and Spiritual Development:**

- Men's Breakfast was held November 8. Tim Tolliver, Chief Professional Officer from Boys and Girls Club spoke. Donations for breakfast exceeded expenses so it was moved and approved to give the \$35 overage to Love Gift.
- 2 funerals were served during October.

**Mission Connection:**

- The jazz concert held as a fundraiser for Pine Ridge Medical Clinic raised \$3,455.
- Giving Tree with alternative gift giving opportunities will be available November 23-December 21. Mission Connection projects, Boys & Girls Club backpacks, and Love Gift will be included.

**Endowment Fund:**

- Matching documentation received and funds were disbursed to Boys and Girls Club for their photography class project.

**Other Business:**

- Articles for December newsletter are due to Diane Pumphrey by November 15.
- Committee annual reports are due to Diane Pumphrey by December 31.
- For the November 17 Session meeting, Deb Beshears will be the Deacon representative.
- Ted Brown attended the Re-Member Board meeting November 8-9. He updated us on their plans regarding Feather 2. This is 160 acres on the reservation that will be used as storage and construction (i.e. bunks) construction. Currently, their facility is 5-10 miles away from the reservation.
  - Information regarding their capital fund will be coming. Ted would like to involve more churches in our area to donate. 95% of their donations are used for materials. Everything the Lakota people receive requires a receipt. They are not given cash.
- Janet Stensrud asked that staff notify In-Touch volunteers when their person passes.
- December snacks will be potluck style with everyone being asked to bring 1 dozen cookies to share.

**Closing prayer:** Gail Yingling

Submitted by:  
Kathy Middleton