

**Deacon's Board Meeting
Oct.17, 2016**

At 6:00 p.m. Moderator Tom Parker called the meeting to order.

Moderator attendance for September 2016

P	Tom Parker
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Board of Deacons Attendance for February

	Class of 2016		Class of 2017		Class of 2018
E	Mia Carr	P	Meredith Ellard	P	Brock Earnhardt, Jr.
P	Steve Earp	E	Rosemary Jamison	P	Bob Lehnherr
A	Jeff Gomez	P	Margarette Johnson	P	Jennifer Peters
E	Wendy Hammen	P	Steve Johnson		Tracy Riedesel
P	Dawn Hickenbottom	P	Kurt Schreiner	P	Lawanda Roudebush
P	Marilyn Irwin	P	Sharon Simmonds	P	Cindy Schalk
P	Sue Page	E	Michelle Sinclair	P	Cassie Woods
P	Ann Schwister	P	Doug Wells		
P	Diane Schreiner				

P= present, E= excused, A= absent

A quorum was present.

LaWanda Roudebush opened with prayer at 6:00

Minutes for the August meeting were approved.

Sign-up sheets went around for serving at the Salvation Army dinner, to cook at the Men's Breakfast

Committee Reports:

Outreach:

- Diane Schreiner reported 54 people were served at the Salvation Army this month. Muffy is recruiting servers thru the end of the year.
- CROP Walk raised \$1685. Many thanks to Jennifer Peters for her work and participation.
- Night out at the Shelter fundraiser for the Humility of Mary Homeless Shelters raised \$161 last week, with 2 more weeks to go. The goal is 780.
- No list yet from Angel Tree Ministry project. The list of names is the starting point for our Christmas gift giving campaign. We expect to have it by Oct. 31. Angel Tree names will be available to the congregation on Nov. 20, the Sunday before Thanksgiving.
- A new mission is in the works for February. We're calling it Paper Hearts. We'll be collecting toilet paper for the Humility of Mary Shelters.
- PUNCH Thanksgiving Dinner is also beginning. Bob L. and Doug W. volunteered to go and man the drinks table that morning. PUNCH has asked FPC (and all PUNCH churches) to provide various food items. Everything should be dropped off at St. John's United Methodist on Thanksgiving Day in disposable containers. A sign up sheet was sent around the board of Deacons and thanks to their generosity, all but 2 items were filled. Diane will follow up on filling the other requests.
- Outreach is also in the process of finding a new chair for Homework Helpers for the Boys and Girls Club.

Pastoral Care:

- Homecoming Dinner on Oct. 2nd went great. 65 people attended. Bridges Catering provided food, plates and servers. FPC confirmands provided table servers and were very much appreciated by the diners.
- Women's Retreat, held Sept. 24th had 30+ people in attendance. Went well.
- Men's Breakfast needs cooks and servers. Speaker will be Matt Bishop, new FPC director of music.

Mission Connection:

- Sharon Simmons reported the Remember mission project is on hold, due to its low priority in the project evaluation and the need to refocus how to best serve the Lakota community. Preliminary plans are to send tools to the reservation every 3 years, at the same time that a youth mission group also makes a trip there. More to come on that.
- Mission Connection will have a separate giving tree set up in Fellowship Hall during the holidays for members to give money to ILLUGUA.
- Tabitha's Circle sewing group is almost ready to ship their dresses and shorts. They are sent to Guatemala, Africa and American Appalachia.
- Mission Connection has \$617 in their discretionary funds. They will use \$120 for shipping the clothing; the rest will be used to purchase animals thru Heifer International.

Deacons Endowment Fund:

- Brock Earnhardt reported that markets are down slightly, but he is hopeful that there will be another few hundred dollars added to the grand fund. He still anticipates the fund to be opened to requests early next year.

Other business:

- Deacons will provide the Nov. 6th ACE program. Tom will make a presentation about what our evaluation process has been with a focus on those programs found to be low in congregational awareness.
- Tom did a quick recap of the project evaluation process and went over what he will be presenting to the Session later tonight. There was some discussion on exactly why some projects ranked low, but were still important and how these will relate to the Deacons budget for 2017 and 2018. The evaluation process is in the final stages, and will now be used to make future decisions about how the Deacons will move forward with their time and monies. The program rankings and the Envision

20/20 results will be the foundations that Deacons will use to choose which projects we do and how we do them. More discussion at the November meeting.

Next Deacon's meeting will be Monday, Nov. 14th, 7 p.m.

Submitted by:
Diane Schreiner