

**TUMC Board Minutes  
December 27, 2021**

Present: Tex Sample, Suzanne Fischer, Shannon Jones, Susan Grotewold, Margie Richcreek, Blaine Proctor, Marsha Smith, Ed Kail, Jeff Stevens

Absent: Russ Petry, John Lester, Rudy Breland, LaVonne Meyer, Dick Nelson

Guests: Tim Fosci, Maryallison Joseph

Shannon Jones opened the meeting by asking Tex Sample to say a prayer.

REPORTS

**Treasurer's Report:** Shannon Jones substituting for Russ Petry, reported that as of today the

Edward Jones account shows	\$111,069
US Bank account shows	\$51,884
Capital Campaign amount left	\$21,124
Rutledge/Stevens Music Fund	\$7,400

The Rutledge/Stevens Fund will not be used for utilities, but all other missions will be charged the cost of utilities, which costs are being developed in an analysis by Russ Petry.

One board member asked if we had the final amount from the Christmas offering. Shannon said we should probably know after the offering count is tallied this week.

Budget information:

2022 Budget	\$160,000
Pledge amount	\$110,084
Leases	\$34,000 (Lafayette Academy, K C Tenants, Jobs with Justice)
Anticipated from automatic bank offerings	\$10,000.

**Chair Report:** Shannon Jones showed the breakdown of the much appreciated \$30,000 Gilmore Trust Fund gift to Trinity. She and Tex will meet with a Edward Jones representative to discuss what to do with the \$10,000 assigned to the Endowment Fund. M.A. Joseph, office manager, asked if we could report the Gilmore gift to the congregation. She asked if the information could be put in the Tidings. The answer was yes.

Also, mentioned was the \$300.00 gift that Anita Henson donated to help individuals in need, not programs or ministries.

Shannon also reported that several repairs have been made to the elevator and emergency phone and repairs to the Portico and Electrical Panel by Roger Taylor and Alex McComb.

Shannon gave a shout out to Tex, Clay and M.A. for their powerful testimonies to the City Council in opposition to MAC Properties attempts to gentrify the Trinity neighborhood. Hours later City Council approved \$2.5 million dollars for Right to Counsel which will allow legal representation for tenants being evicted.

Susan Grotewold asked if we could have the names of the 5 new church members who joined the church Sunday. M.A. said we will have the list and a picture of the new members in the Tidings.

## MISSION REPORTS

**Justice Task Force:** Margie Richcreek reported that the Task Force was suspended for the holidays, but the next meeting is scheduled for next Monday, January 3, 2022 from 5:30 pm-7:00 pm. Suzanne Fischer and Teresa Dilley's LGBTQIA+ Affinity group will also start back in January and will concentrate on organizing a Huddle for February or March.

**Food Ministry & Pantry:** Marsha Smith stated how grateful she and her team are for the Gilmore gift. With the gift designated for a kitchen update, the team is considering a larger freezer. Marsha is encouraging her team members to turn in their receipts when purchasing something for the kitchen. Team members agreed but also said when they are reimbursed they will turn the money back into the general fund.

The Kitchen is still doing carry-out meals because of COVID.

A shout out to Alex McComb, Betsy Phillips and Margie Richcreek for continuing to take Monday meals to Pride Haven.

**Young Adult Ministry:** Tim Fosci reported that he has talked with Jameson Wells about Hospitality Team Training.

Tim also stated that the Young Adult focus will be more online messaging.

## OLD BUSINESS

Tex Sample recommended that the Board consider increasing Robert Rowlett's monthly salary by \$100.00. Margie Richcreek made a motion to increase Robert Rowlett's salary by \$100.00 per month starting in January of 2022. Blaine seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Tex also suggested to the Board that it needs to start thinking about how the church can eventually pay a pastor on a full-time basis.

## QUESTIONS

Blaine Proctor asked if the 2022 budget shows an increase in salaries? Answer: no.

Suzanne Fischer asked if there was any progress on government-funded affordable housing to be built on the Trinity parking lot? Answer: Tex and Shannon will meet with Barb from Pelofsky Grant-Writers on January 6, 2022 to discuss next steps. Blaine Proctor warned that Barb will push towards money coming from a Capital Campaign. Blaine said that we just had a Capital Campaign and have not spent all that money yet.

The meeting adjourned with Shannon reminding Board members that the next meeting will be January 24 at 6:00 pm with a main topic of discussion being the 2022 budget.

