

Building Committee Meeting #10 December 11, 2024 3:00 held at KHUMC

In attendance: Alan Thornburg, Jamie McMurtrey, Janette Jackmovich, Denny Gorton, Tim Reilly, Rod Todd, Bill Marchand, Brian Lewis, Pastor Sharla McCaskell, Dan Bader, District Superintendent.

Missing: Bob Dominicak

1. Prayer led by Alan Thornburg.
2. Approval of minutes from the last meeting. Denny moved to approve. Tim 2nd. Vote to approve minutes of November 13, 2024 was passed.
3. Dan Bader, DS was present today. He discussed:
 - a. District Board of Church Location and Building is giving their support to move forward. They plan to do a facility walk through in January.
 - b. Growth and Location. Location. Location. Northeast territory is more right.
 - c. Church revitalization may have some \$ possibilities.
 - d. We have strength as we already have a congregation.
 - e. The growth in Rapid City should support 6-7 United Methodist churches and we currently have 5.
 - f. Future development and new neighborhood would be good to get 1.5 to 2 acres. Going for \$5/sq ft.
 - g. Grant writer may be available through the conference
 - h. Open Heart: District Committee does not work with the combining of churches. He states that there are separate churches in the same space. He warns that it would take a long time and is a very hard process as it is human work with unique challenges.
 - i. Remember that people will come and go with any decision or situation.
 - j. Revitalization is being seen currently and more people are starting to show up in church.
 - k. Sunday school is less existent but Wednesday after school or Friday early release options to help the community.
4. There should be a sample giving poll in the January/February Newsletter with notice that the poll will happen on February 2nd, 2025.
5. Our next congregational presentations will be on January 19th and January 26th when Tim announces the giving poll, that will take place on February 2nd, 2025. A slide of the giving poll will be displayed. And again, ask our Congregation to be in prayerful consideration and renew the prayer.
6. We discussed and modified the giving poll as a group and Alan is to modify. We plan to hand out the poll as people come into the church and collect them in the offering boxes or by plate when they leave on the Polling Sunday.

7. Alan will talk to Bob Rudebush about the grant that Legacy was awarded to see if that is an option for us.
8. Alan will also contact Hani Shafai and Chris Long to set up a meeting and would like to set a goal of land at \$3/ sq ft.
9. Alan noted that the Texas person that is looking for a church in Rapid City – the Realtors are talking together.
10. Note we passed a Motion deciding on a 3 year campaign. We need to have an “Authorized project” prior to having a campaign.

Our next meeting will be February 12th at 3:00 at the church.