

## Building Committee Meeting #8 October 16, 2024 3:00 held at KHUMC

In attendance: Alan Thornburg, Jamie McMurtrey, Bob Dominicak, Janette Jackmovich, Denny Gorton, Tim Reilly, Pastor Sharla McCaskell

Missing: Rod Todd, Bill Marchand, Brian Lewis

1. Prayer led by Janette Jackmovich. Discussion of a few word changes. Janette will share this prayer with the congregation on October 27<sup>th</sup> along with a short testimony. This prayer will be placed on cardstock and in the pockets on each chair so each member of the congregation can take it home and continue to pray it often through the coming months as we move through this process.
2. Approval of minutes from the last meeting. Tim moved to approve. Denny 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote to approve minutes of October 2, 2024 was passed.
3. Discussion about Neighborhood Demographics, Bob reviewed and reported that the 1 mile study had some discrepancies but most important were projected increases in school aged children, # of households, and income per household. The fact remains that the neighborhood is just getting older. Pastor Sharla will get another study from the Dakota's Conference for 2.5 miles from the church to include growth and newer areas.
4. Pastor Sharla would like to update the quartered city map of church attendees. Tim will try to get a larger city map to be placed on a pin board. This will be shared with the congregation in the future.
5. Alan will prepare an Update to be presented in the Newsletter and should be submitted by November 4<sup>th</sup>.
6. Discussion about the need to find more information about grants. Bob will research this more. Alan will talk to Bob Rudebush about the grant that Legacy was awarded to see if that is an option for us. Alan will also contact the Foundation about possible options for financial assistance.
7. We reviewed the plan to keep the congregation updated on what is happening in the Building Committee. Jamie will present again on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Janette will present on October 27<sup>th</sup>. We will not present anything on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. November 10 & 17 we would present that we have \$500,000 in the Foundation currently – Re-present the cost of the 3 options and that all 3 are still being considered. The first Sunday in December we will educate the congregation on options for giving and that we will be taking an anonymous ballot poll to help determine our fundraising potential in January 2025. In the meantime, we will ask our Congregation to be in prayerful consideration.
8. Discussion regarding Consolidation possibly with Open Heart. The conversation will be tabled until Dan Bader, DS gives us an idea that it is an appropriate time.

9. The topic of the possibility of the Conference building a New Rapid City Church in the next 10 years due to the expected growth and if this would happen if we had struggling churches in the city. Pastor Sharla asked Dan Bader, DS about this and the answer was “No land is owned by the conference”
10. We discussed information on two properties, one for lease and one for sale for comparison.
11. We decided to meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month for November and December.

Our next meetings will be held November 13<sup>th</sup> and December 11th at 3:00 at the church.