

Mission Leadership Team Meeting minutes

People of Hope Church

3703 West Country Club Road

Rochester, MN 55902

Date: June 11, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the People of Hope (POH) Mission Leadership team (MLT) was called to order by Eric Lee, chair, at 7:06 p.m. The meeting was held over the Zoom website due to the MN social distancing for the pandemic.

Members present:

Eric Lee --chair	Marilyn Hansmann--treasurer	Pastor Dan Doering
John Goetz	Rosilyn Steinkamp (shared position)	Pete Reuss—vice chair
Denise Fogarty	Shelley Boettcher	Diane Olson--scribe

Members absent:

Violet Steinkamp (shared position)

Aaron Steele

Wayne Luebbert

Chrisanne Kuester—youth representative

Pete Reuss offered the opening prayer.

Agenda approval: It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the agenda.

Meeting minutes approval:

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the May 14, 2020 meeting minutes.

Pastor's report:

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the pastor's report.

Treasurer's report:

Marilyn Hansmann reported that as of this month POH is back to paying the Mission Investment Fund the full mortgage payment.

Final reporting guidelines for the Small Business Association (SBA) paycheck protection program loan program have not yet been received.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the treasurer's report.

New Business:

Return to Worship

The proposed return to in-person services at People of Hope guidelines from the task force were discussed in detail. These included two sections: Guiding principles regarding return to in-person services at People of Hope and Initial plan for return to in-person services at People of Hope. It was decided that MLT fully supported the guiding principles section but did not feel the church was ready to have in-person services until the worship service can be closer to a usual POH service. A motion was made, seconded and passed to adopt the Guiding principles regarding return to in-person services at People of Hope section.

Eric Lee, Pete Reuss and Rosilyn Steinkamp will write a letter explaining this decision. This will be emailed to POH member missionaries and posted on the POH facebook site. Pastor Dan will also read a copy of the letter during the next worship service.

Strategic planning

Pete Reuss discussed how, in his position with GSB Fund Raising Company, he has been working with a church in Bloomington, MN on issues that might apply to POH also. The document "Mission and Vision Planning People of Hope Lutheran Church, Rochester, MN" was shared. This self-study could help us clarify our identity and help direct the decision making when the lot A funds are received from Titan. The study would include listening to God, the congregation and the community and then making a plan that reflects what God calls us to do. Pete stated he could lead the first portion of this type of self-study. A task force would drive the process and Pastor Dan would be part of this but not lead the task force. Since Pete Reuss is a member of POH rather than a fee being paid to the company the congregation could give a donation to an organization instead. A motion was made, seconded and passed to appoint a task force for the planning for strategic planning. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the timeline in the document through number 14.

Hope groups: Pastor Dan reminded MLT members to continue reaching out to our Hope Groups while we worship virtually due to the pandemic.

Announcements and communications:

Marilyn Hansmann stated that Olmsted County continues to ask POH to pay property taxes on Lot A.

Closing prayer was led by John Goetz.

It was moved seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting ended at 8:08 p.m.

Diane Olson, scribe