

Elder Meeting

March 2008

Meeting held at church in old Library

Elder present: Don Stellflug, Ernie Goldenman, Jeff Matson, Don Fisher, Sheldon Carlson, Curt Johnson, Craig Spofford, Jon Anderson, Jim Helmuth

Visitors: Joel Johnson

- **Financial Update** from Joel Johnson
 - Finance report accepted unanimously
 - Giving is down from what we need for the budget. Please pray for the financial situation
- **Mortgage Refinancing**
 - The Mortgage is up for renewal
 - Prime will likely change.
 - Craig was unable to speak with any other banks and will still be doing that (Riverview). By this meeting in April we look to have more information.
 - Craig passed out a “Proposal for ZEFCC” regarding the options for mortgage refinancing.
 - Move to table this item (Ernie) until we have more information and 2nd (Curt) passed unanimously.
- **Care Groups** – update
 - A breakdown for care groups was passed out at a prior meeting.
 - (Jim Helmuth) Can the list be sorted by their address? Yes it can be done
 - Elders will pick 8 or so families they do know and then they will be assigned some they do not know.
 - Craig suggested that the master list must be kept by a single entity so that we have a clearing house for changes. Craig will work on this.
 - You have two weeks to go through the master list and come up with a list of 15 families. This should be done by March 24th. The expectation will be that each elder will end up with 8-10 families they know well plus some others so that each elder will be responsible for about 15 family units.
 - There is an expectation that it will flex over time and that you may trade families with others if you clear it through Craig first.
- **Addition of staff and or volunteers**
 - This item was carried over from the February meeting
 - It pertains some to the PT office person we had hoped to be able to hire (See the document – proposal for help with Lorrie)
 - Discussion about volunteers, budget and staff
 - For right now we need to go to the congregation and solicit volunteers to help Lorrie. Craig will put this into this weeks bulletin.
 - This discussion sums up the issue of a part time staff from last year.
- **7:54 Shamineau**
 - Jay and Ruth Fries serve on the Capital Program there
 - They have requested to do a table to promote camp. Table was approved by Craig.
 - They wanted to know about us taking a special offering.
 - Discussion about the special offering is needed
 - Request of Craig to get a little more information about this
- **Wedding dance**
 - Discussion on this topic – not approving dances
- **Children’s ministry report**
 - Discussion about Family VBS and Summer Sunday School
- **Core Values/Philosophy of Ministry**
 - Go over the core values individually and we will come together on the 24th to compare notes.

Next Elder meeting is March 24th 6:30 p.m. at the church. Dinner is being hosted by Ernie Goldenman.

We still need Volunteers for hosting for Sept., Nov. and December