

One Board Agenda and Reports

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 6:00 pm

Friendship Room

If possible, join the meeting in-person, but it will also be available by Zoom.

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One Board Agenda

- 6:00 pm Welcome new board members - Lynn Kluegel
Opening Prayer & Devotional - Carol Mead
- 6:15 pm Approval of minutes
- 6:20 Review draft covenant, discuss, and edit - Camille Wescott
Review purpose of board - page 163
Review how we will operate as the board.
Discuss meeting agenda format changes.
Discuss meeting time? Retreat dates?
Do we want to rename our board?
- 6:45 As required by Book of Discipline: Elect chair of:
1. Trustees
 2. Finance designee
 3. SPRC chair (Nathaniel Morgan has agreed to continue)
- Review Financial report and discuss
Review of short- & long-term goals - Pastor John Nash
Long term goals - update on congregation participation
Accountability Conversation - Pastor John Nash
Nomination committee update
- 7:10 pm Discuss Guiding Principles - page 262
1. Mission: God's love in action.
 2. Vision
 3. Core values of our church: *We are Christ-Centered * Inclusive * Growing Spiritually * Compassionate & Caring * In Service & Mission.*

Transparent and routine communication with congregation
Spiritual and Leadership development in upcoming monthly meetings

Communications to Congregation - page 168 description

Recognition of past board members- article in newsletter, thank you in worship service?

Articles about board:

Who to contact, etc.

What do we communicate this month?

Closing Prayer-Julie Risch

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 21, 2023, 6:00 pm

Reports Due by: Thursday, February 16, 2023

One Board Reports

Pastor's Report – Pastor John Nash

1. Craig Cockrell, our district superintendent, wife died last week. The funeral will be February 3, in Albuquerque.
2. Because of the events in Craig's life, he has not scheduled our 1-on-1 conversations that normally happen at this time of the year. But I did tell him that I was not requesting an appointment change, and, as far as I know, the church is not requesting that either.
3. I did complete my portion of my annual review and met with representatives of the SPRC and am still awaiting to hear back from them on the rest of the review.
4. Our second planning meeting for the Lenten worship series will happen on Monday 1/23/23, and I hope we have a good outline of plans and questions we are asking for planning goals as a congregation.
5. I will begin planning sermon series after Easter soon.
6. I will not be going to the February clergy retreat as it overlaps with Samantha's birthday.
7. Our financials for 2022 weren't bad. Amy and I are working on the budget, but it will not be ready to present at this meeting. I am asking her to see what cutting \$20,000 out of the budget would look like as that was what we were short last year.
8. As we live into a new model for One Board, I do ask that we keep an open mind for what's not working and also what is working and/or ways to improve.
9. I was told by the Bishop at a meeting last week that there will be a special called annual conference probably in May, to vote on churches seeking to disaffiliate. It will be online. It is expected that there will be 25-30 at that time, although that number is fluid. Most of those churches are rural and also in the El Paso district. That will precipitate some changes in conference structures but those are still in preliminary conversations.
10. It had been my intention to step down as chair of the library board this year, while still continuing to serve. But, with the change in the library manager she asked me to stay for one more year, which I was just elected to do. I also serve on the North Mesa Housing Group, along with Celina Morgan, but nothing has happened with that in quite a while.
11. We will need to start planning for VBS soon, and I have wanted to do a summer fellowship program for a while, which hasn't been able to happen, but I'm hoping we might be able to get that started up this year.

Ark Report - Shanice Ramos

1. Stabilization Grant
2. Door Contest (Thank You!)

Annual Conference - Don Casperson

1. The NM Annual Conference will be held June 14 – Friday, June 16, 2023 in Las Cruces, NM.

Crisis and Caring Ministries - Carol Mead

1. Several people provided transportation for Lee Weinland to appointments.
2. The list of people willing to drive people is being updated.

Connecting (Lay leader) -

Faith Development Report - Phillip Ortega

Fellowship - Carol Mead

1. Fifteen families, Sombrillo and Aspen Ridge residents enjoyed caroling and/or cookies at Christmastime. There were about 18 of us that went caroling.

Missions - Camille Wescott

1. Camille Wescott is now leading the missions team.
2. The team will meet on February 1, 2023 to talk about a vision, plans and set goals for the year.

SPRC – Nathaniel Morgan

Trustees - Julie Risch

1. The Fire Alarm will turn off the heating and swamp coolers when set off. This helps to prevent smoke from spreading through the building causing smoke damage and spreading the fire.
 - a. The key inside the firebox door will open the pull down switches throughout the church, and extra key is in the key box in the church office. It is labeled on the door key #24.
2. The light poles along the sidewalk are not working and the signing lighting is out as well.
 - a. Julie has contacted Angel Barry Electric to come out and take a look at them.
 - b. While they are here, she'll have them look at the lighting panel in the sanctuary.
 - c. Last spring the panel was replaced and Joe Richardson connected it for us because the electrician was not able to come out. We need him to take a look and make some adjustments so the lights can be dimmed and turned off at the AV center.
3. Rafael is working on deep cleaning the church.
 - a. Over the Christmas vacation he cleaned the classrooms and rugs and has cleaned the carpet in the Friendship Center.
 - b. He will be working on the sanctuary and the move into the kitchen.
4. Rafael has installed solar lighting around the building to provide lighting outside the building.
5. The internet cable back to Valerie and Amy office is being replaced.
 - a. Julie has ordered it and Rafael will run it back to the office.
 - b. We are not sure if the line has been chewed or has a kink in it.

United Methodist Women/United Women in Faith – Carol Mead

1. We will discuss *The Four Winds* at All Booked Up next week.
2. Since the weather wasn't cooperating, we visited with Mary Keller, the Brandows, Kay Reisinger, the Blackstocks and Marilyn Peek by phone for Cup of Friendship.
3. In December we sent off 27 "Days for Girls kits" to the Border Ministries.
4. Create and Discover wrapped many gifts for the extra Christmas family boxes.
5. Martha Circle is sending a love offering for ministries in the Ukraine.

Worship – Valerie Collins

1. There is a small group of dedicated people who comprise the choir and regularly play bells for the traditional services.

- a. Ideas for recruiting more singers and ringers are needed.
- 2. Memorial Services
 - a. Past choir members and interested singers are preparing to participate in Herald Kruse's memorial service.
 - b. Valerie doesn't know if the Naffziger family will want a choir to sing at Frances' memorial service.
 - i. Valarie will be out of town for Frances' memorial service so unavailable to direct a choir.
 - 1. If a choir is needed, she may ask Louise Mendius or Maurice Sheppard to direct.
- 3. The band may play for some of the Lenten services