

Beacon Board of Trustees Meeting
March 28, 2018
7:30 p.m.

Attendees: Michele Blanchard, Chris Grazioso, Neal Eisenstein, David Gordon, Carol Conger Miller, Janet Roberts, Madhan Gounder, Heather Turnbull, Emilie Boggis, Tuli Patel, Robin Tanner

Absent: Susan Spencer-Cramer

Conference Call with Architects Ikon5

Reviewed list of charges that had been sent to Ikon5 as a result of the previous work done at a Deep Dive Meeting in January regarding possible design changes to accommodate potential revenue sources from the new building, including possible 2nd story commercial rental space and general rental space. The discussion lead to the following results:

- Building commercial space for rental income will not be cost effective and parking would be a major hurdle.
- Our lawyer has indicated that the town of Summit will not permit the building to be used as a 'Hall for Hire'. We would still be permitted to hire out space for weddings, funerals and other events in line with the mission of our congregation.
- Ikon5 will engage a trusted acoustical engineer to review the current design
- Ikon5 will continue to review the effects of natural light in the design of the Sanctuary
- We authorized Ikon5 to engage an estimating firm to provide a current cost estimate of the design. The previous cost estimate was done in 2015.
- Ikon5 will begin to work on a possible design for a glass atrium connecting the old and new buildings. This will not be included in the new cost estimate.

The results of the updated cost estimate will help to direct decisions regarding moving forward with the current design, making necessary changes to the design based on cost and/or altering fundraising goals.

Sanctuary Congregation

The Board received an update on the status of providing sanctuary.

Minutes: Motion to approve the February minutes was made by Janet, seconded by Carol and approved unanimously.

A suggestion was made to include the Agenda and Minutes on our website, as well as the possibility of using the stairwell into Fellowship Hall to house printed Board information.

Finances

Chris reported that February pledge income was weak but we are stable moving forward.

Motion to adjourn was made by Janet, seconded by Carol and passed unanimously. Meeting was concluded at 9:46pm.