

First United Methodist Church West Lafayette
Governance Board Meeting
November 19, 2018 at 7:00 pm, Christian Life Center (CLC)

Governance Board members (BOLD indicates attendance at meeting):

Rev. Steve Bibb – Lead Pastor	Emalee Havel – Chair, Rep for Youth, SPRC vice chair
Jim Beaty – Vice Chair	Katy Lenz – UMW, Lay Leader
Larry Huggins – Church Treasurer	Don Caddy – UMM, Chair of Trustees
Jana Day - SPRC chair	Taylor Owings – Rep. of Young Adults, Chair of Finance
Nick Clinkenbeard – Vice chair of Trustees & Finance	
Larry Huggins – Finance Chair	
Ronda Kroeschen – Secretary, Church Administrator (non-voting)	

Others in attendance: Jan Beaty, Rev. Linda Bibb, Rev. Billy Bross, Lola Huggins, David Caddy, Gus Gustafson, Sally Gustafson, Shari Bittles, Rev. Lana Robyne, Craig Dobbins, Ginny Dienhart, Sarah Kelly, Diane Stott, Dorothea Goold, Chip Rutledge, Susie Loughner, Rev. Glen Robyne

AGENDA

Welcome and Opening Prayer (Emalee Havel)
Chair opened meeting at 7:05pm

Teaching and Spiritual Formation Portion of Meeting

Devotions (Rev. Steve Bibb) -Thanksgiving Day Prayer

Discussion “Shape the Path” of The Switch by Heath & Heath (5 min) (Taylor Owings all)
- Rallying the Herd, the influence those by us.
- What to do as leaders to change the environment.
 Self control.
 Safety standards.
 Resist checking emails.

Progress Toward Goals Portion of Meeting

Interim Ministry Process Update (10-15 minutes) (Rev. Steve Bibb)

Happy Birthday to Rev. Linda Bibb	Had a wonderful vacation in Aruba
Moving to being a growing congregation	Have not met with Steering group yet
Stewardship-change from the normal	Calendar issues
Had a charge and district conference.	

Things coming up

Advent	Recognizing previous pastors
Hanging of the greens	LUM Jubilee
Children’s program	Extended music service
Longest day/night program	Christmas Eve. Services
New Year’s Eve	

Had a discussion with Rev. Lore Blinn Gibson, Conference Superintendent - NW District

1. Governance Board and SPRC
2. Renew Rev. Bibb's contract for another year.

Rev. Steve Bib was asked what had been done so far.

Interim is a time between pastors.

He has things now as a need to run as stated.

The Fruitful congregation has done good work.

History has gotten us to where we are now. We need to accept history and adopt plans to move forward.

Outgoing Pastor is allowed to retire.

The steering subgroup will help flush things out and assist.

Part of his duties are to smooth out the rough edges.

Be a Lead Pastor.

Bring his expertise to the table

And help get back to a growing congregation

What is Jim Beaty's vision as GB Chair in 2019?

GB system in church to change with society

Committees and council were not growing with what the church needed.

Be streamlined and nimble

Our change over to the GB didn't work as well as we wanted it to.

Get the group focused on the vision. Make adjustments. Get Lead pastor to take responsibilities.

Rev. Steve Bibb said we need to create a path.

Katy Lenz said that everyone is encouraged to talk to Rev. Steve Bibb.

Emalee Havel said that the job of the GB is to know the vision and make sure the boat heads toward the vision.

Reports and Decisions Portion of Meeting

Approval of Minutes (3 minutes) (Emalee Havel)

- September 17, 2018 Governance Board meeting minutes

Motion to approve the minutes: Don Caddy

Approved

Secretary Position (Emalee Havel)

Karen has resigned. There will be a posting for secretary on the Governance Board. Ronda Kroeschen will be the interim.

Receipt of Ministry Reports (Emalee Havel)

Reports received: Music, Klondike Kids Club, Wesley and Children's.

Motion to accept reports: Don Caddy Seconded: Taylor Owings

Approved

Governance Board Bylaws (Emalee Havel)

Guiding principles
Streamline reports
Needed: Bylaws if working outside the discipline
Bylaws get voted on

Liaison Chair for KDC

Chip Rutledge will take over for Sally Gustafson as Chair for the FUMC/KDC liaison
Motion to accept by Don Caddy Seconded: Taylor Owings Approved

Governance Board Slate (Emalee Havel)

MOTION: To approve the following new Governance Board members and assignments as follow:
Larry Huggins as Church Treasurer

Motion: Don Caddy Seconded: Chip Rutledge Approved

Finance/Stewardship (10 minutes) (Taylor Owings/ Rev. Steve Bibb)

Wrapping up stewardship campaign
Hold commitment to God

Trustees (5 minutes) – church bus (Don Caddy)

Light in parking lot
Parson's tree lighting
New used bus: Foundation will cover the sale. PEP Club to forward leftover money towards it.

Treasurer (5 minutes) (Larry Huggins)

Gave his perceptions of what his duties are
Motion made by Larry Huggins to give the Foundation the money given by Jean Cooper to manage. Seconded by Emalee Havel Accepted

Closing

Closing/ Announcements (Emalee Havel)

Motion by Emalee Havel to close the meeting Seconded: Larry Huggins Accepted

Closing Prayer given by Rev. Steve Bibb

Rev. Steve Bibb and Kathy Lenz went to District Conference-Way Forward Movement
Thanks to Emalee Havel for her service to the Governance Board

Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm