

GRAND RAPIDS EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH
Quarterly Business Meeting
July 19, 2022

Cal Kangas opened the meeting with prayer.

1. Previous meeting minutes – Minutes from the 4/26/22 meeting were distributed and reviewed. Jason Green made a motion to accept the minutes as written; it was seconded by Mike Protelsch, and the motion passed.
2. Financial Secretary Report – Marilyn Isaac presented the 2nd quarter 2022 report. YTD General giving = \$211,374.78, building fund = \$12,078.09, missions = \$4665.00, Benevolent Fund = \$5,029.00.
3. Treasurer's Report – The 6/30/2022 financial report was reviewed. 2022 YTD expenses paid = \$251,815.04 vs. YTD budgeted expenses of \$241,259.06. Account balances are as follows:

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| Checking Account | \$ 9,219.27 |
| Preschool Checking Account | 4,267.69 |
| Cash Reserves | 50,000.00 |
| Capital Improvements | 2,151.19 |
| Preschool | 7,696.21 |
| Discretionary Savings | <u>2,071.12</u> |
| Total Cash in Bank | \$ 75,405.48 |

Larry Curtiss made a motion to approve both reports; Jim Azure seconded the motion, and it passed.

4. Sr. Pastor Report – Pastor Micah Labovitch started in his new role this week and reported that he has been working the last 2 days with Interim Pastor Ron Weller. July 31 will be the installation service. He is working on upcoming sermons in II Timothy and Ezra.
5. Elder Report – Quentin Legler reported that the Elders have been busy communicating with Pastor Micah and planning for his arrival. Pastor Steve Wick submitted his resignation effective at the end of the month and Elders are planning on filling that role. Elders and Executive Board have been updating the Constitution and Bylaws and plan for a congregation vote on the revisions at the next quarterly meeting. The Benevolent Fund has a very healthy balance and has been used to help many needs that were presented. Matt thanked Quintin for the great leadership he has provided to the Elder Board.
6. Ministry Reports –
 - A. Associate Pastor Report – Rachel Staudohar reported for Pastor Steve Wick. Community groups are still going. Young adult leadership went to Fargo for training. Student Ministries – Wednesday nights are well-attended. Guys and girls are doing bible read-throughs, and weekly gatherings are averaging 12.

- B. Children's Ministry and Preschool – Sarah Schrapp reported that she is off for the month of July and Rebecca has been holding down the fort. Kids Sunday classes through 1st grade are going well. Bible study has been held through June – averaging 8 each week. For Preschool Laura Boyd has been hired for the assistant teacher. For fall enrollment the morning class is full and the afternoon class still has a few openings. Space is maxed out and the task force is working on the best use of space on Sundays.
 - C. Men's Ministry – Larry Curtiss reported that they are preparing for fall ministries. An on-the-water event is coming soon. Looking for a replacement for Tim Hasbargen.
 - D. Women's Ministry – Kristin Panchyshyn reported that women's ministries has had an amazing summer so far. New this year is Wednesday walks usually having 2-10 participants. Other events are Salads and Soccer, bonfire and pontoon ride, canoe and kayak outing, pottery class, possibly a September women and men get together. The Christmas Tea is again being planned and Titus Tables continue to go well with 11 four-person groups meeting monthly.
 - E. Legacy Builders – Jim Azure reported that they are going to regroup again in the fall to continue this ministry.
 - F. Connecting and Hospitality – Jim Azure reported that many events have been planned – fishing day, potlucks, baptismal picnic. Also, a Bereavement Committee has been formed.
 - G. Missions – Marilyn Isaac reported that the Navratils, Central America missionaries, are now semi-retired. Missions newsletters are available in the foyer. Currently GREFC sponsors 9-10 missionaries.
 - H. Welcome Team – Michelle Schwake reported that this team is doing a great job. There will be a August 22 training being held for the team. New members are always welcome.
7. Old Business – there was no old business presented.
8. New Business –
- A. Voting on new members:
 - 1. Mike Hake – Jim Azure made a motion to approve Mike Hake as a member of GREFC; it was seconded by Kristen Panchyshyn, and the motion passed.
 - 2. Kim Hake – Kristen Panchyshyn made a motion to approve Kim Hake as a member of GREFC; it was seconded by Lorraine Curtiss, and the motion passed.
9. The meeting was adjourned. Pastor Micah closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Harling, Church Secretary