

Minutes for Deacons Meeting, April 7, 2019

Sign in and Fellowship: 6:15 – 6:30

Call Meeting to Order: 6:30 - Marc Walley

Opening Prayer – Dr. Head

Welcome and Opening Remarks – Marc Walley

- **March 2019 Minutes Approval** – Minutes were approved as distributed.
- **May, June & August meetings are at 12:15, we will have lunch. \$20 from each Deacon will cover all 3 meals. Please pay as soon as you can.**
- **Family Promise starts in May** – 6 spots still open.

Security Update – Chris Rowe

Chris presented an update on the implementation of findings from the security study. There were 4 main concerns noted.

- Establish access control and process form allowing access
- Create badge program for visitors.
- Increase surveillance cameras and capabilities.
- Church personnel training

Kindergarten and Preschool area now require a badge to enter once the doors are locked. Once drop-off is complete, the two access doors are locked. A panic bar has been installed in case of emergency.

New phone system has been installed and receptionist can speak remotely and grant access. In the future, additional cameras will be added at more access points to allow the receptionist to see who is trying to get into the building.

- Will be accessing where additional cameras are needed to cover more access points and exterior area. Currently, we save our footage for 2 weeks.
- Also accessing security systems for the building. Currently our system is not a commercial grade system. Proposals are being requested.

Training in progress for staff and discussions are ongoing regarding having a security team for Sundays. Ushers now should be walking building during the service, getting walkie talkies for them to carry as well as the cart drivers. We currently have one police officer for Sunday and he escorts the person carrying the offering to the bank. This leaves the church without security at that time. Considering getting a second officer and/or a security team to cover the building.

Badges are now being used for visitors during the week. They are given to short-term visitors or contractors. Not used for visitors to Dr. Head or during regular activity times. Allows them to move around the building and not have to keep calling office to be readmitted.

Architectural firm has been given a lot of information, plans, pictures, and have been physically inspecting building. Looking at updates for the sanctuary, will be creating a member committee to offer suggestions and ideas.

Bus barn now has electric door opener for overhead door, anyone can now access the bus or golf cart without having to manually raise the door. Hopefully, this will enable more people to drive the cart.

Minister Update – Brian Childers

Brian presented an overview on what he has been working on and some highlights.

Adult Choir

- Planning a Fall retreat
- Having some fellowship time
- Looking at ways to grow the choir both from inside and outside of the Church
- Will be have 4 interns from KSU, a bass, tenor, alto and soprano.
- Working on attention to choir details
- Printing text of Anthems in bulletin.
- Using a variety of hymns, borrowing from other faiths as well.
- Rehearsal now includes work on voice building, recognition of surroundings and queues.

Hand Bells

- 2 new choirs started – youth and children, approximately 14 participants.
- Starting a new children's group in fall – tinkerbells.
- Will also be starting a non-performing adult group in the fall.
- This summer – will have a introduction to Hand Bells class for interested parties
- This summer will also have a class for current ringers.

Children/Youth Choirs

- No changes for either of these choirs.
- Brian will start as leader in fall.

Orchestra

- Have updated some instruments
- Obtained some new music
- Replenished supplies

Library Project

- Have over 1,500 anthems and pieces of music in choir suite.
- Brian has never seen some of the pieces so he is systematically going through all of it.

- Plan is to create database which can be accessed by title, topic, season, scripture reference, composer, etc. Will be able to search for relevant music based on sermon topic.
- Are looking into scanning music and have it stored electronically as on-line digital library.

Dr. Head's comments

Dr. Head had some items to share.

Staff update.

- Brian has been here 3 months, Logan about 6 months. Have a great staff, new hires doing well.
- Planning a staff retreat for this summer
- Will be doing Future Development planning this summer

Conversations on Summer schedule

- Looking into changes to summer schedule, for example casual dress for ministers from Labor day to Memorial day.

Sermon Series

- The interest and response from the congregation has been very good.
- Thinking of ways to continue periodically.
- Goal is to start conversations.
- Helpful and productive.

Trip to Port St. Joe

- Had 30 people go
- Worked on 7 different projects
- Still a lot of work to be done, the people were extremely thankful.

North Fulton Family Magazine

- Good article on FBC Roswell's mission work

Prayer Requests and Closing Prayer – Arnold Eaves

Service Team Breakouts – all are dismissed once individual teams have completed discussions.

