

CENTRAL ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION  
REGIONAL BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 8, 2014  
9:30-10:30 AM via MegaMeeting  
Minutes

Board members in attendance: Pam Baumgartle, Lenna Fajerman, Vinetta Golphin-Wilkerson, Howard Grant, Bob Vitt, Dean Phelps, Brad Barton, George Dockery, Diane Ashton  
Guest: Marcia Meier (MissionDay2015)

(Significant technical issues existed with MEGAMEETING format, interfering with sign-on and audio)

Welcome and Introductions shared

Gathering Scripture and Prayer offered by Diane: Psalms 118:1, 24, 28 (RSV/Message)

Word from Interim Regional Minister- Dean Phelps presented greetings to the Board

Business of the Day:

\*Housing allowance for Interim Executive Regional Minister, James Dean Phelps, was presented by Acting Finance Committee chairman, Bob Vitt, and unanimously affirmed by the CRMR Regional Board, based on Executive Committee action of 8/5/2014 and beginning employment 11/1/2014, reflected in Letter of Calling:

Cash Salary- \$49,883/annually  
Housing Allowance- \$18,100/annually

\*Letter of Calling (attached) was presented by Moderator, Diane Ashton/Acting Finance Chair, Bob Vitt. Discussion held and CRMR Regional Board unanimously affirmed 8/5/2014 action of CRMR Executive Committee, reflected in the Letter of Calling.

Budget Conversations led by Bob Vitt and Pastor Dean

Discussion included:

\*Bob and Pastor Dean reviewed 2014 Budget with 2015 projections in preparation for meeting \*Noted that some Budget items need more information \*Income is lagging behind expenses; projected not to change 2015 \*Encourage Board members to talk to congregations, encourage increased giving, spread messages about Regional ministries

(53% Disciples Mission Fund allocated to the Regional ministry, WE, Board and congregants, are REGION)

\*Line by line 2015 Budget reviewed with the Board \*Stewardship Technology will be an addition to General Fund- online registration and payment for all Regional offerings, online clergy reports on standing, Regional reports; \$604 initial setup fee, ~\$42/month subsequent years

\*Questions remain in 4 Budget areas:

- Distribution of Valley Heights pro-rata based on designation and 9/26/2014 Board action
- COTOM budget requested funds for train trainer program will be added

-MissionDay 2015 funding questions: Pastor Dean and Pastor Marcia meeting early December

-Umbrella Policy was not budgeted 2014; 2015 General Fund \$3425 increase as result; how was umbrella policy paid 2014?

Board consensus was additional information needed before 2015 Budget approval. Bob Vitt/Pastor Dean will do additional research on above Budget items and Bob will provide information to the Board via email.

Next steps:

CRMR BOARD BUDGET MEETING: Saturday 12/13/2014 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM via MegaMeeting format.

Submitted by Diane Ashton