

Vision Board Notes

July 2016

The Grace Lutheran Vision Board met on Tuesday, July 12th, 2016 at 6:30 at the home of Jessie Crooks. All members were present, along with Pastor Hellmann, except Deb Stang. Good conversation and dinner were enjoyed as the board continued the process of getting to know the new members.

The proposed study of Mark Powell's book: *Giving to God: The bible's Good News about Living Generous Life* was adopted as the Introduction and first chapter was discussed. The highlights of the study revolved upon the stewardship of all things in our lives including, our families, our bodies, our money, our gifts and talents and even the gospel.

The Agenda Items included:

- Continued discussion and development of the Social Media Policy.
- Election of Doug Hanson as Vice President of Vision Board for the 2016-2017 year with the understanding he will succeed Greg Ackerson as President in 2017-2018.
- Discussed the proposed envisioning process: S.W.O.T. (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) Assessment for the next five years
- Senior Pastor's Report
 - **Facilities** – excellent progress in remodeling of DayCare bathrooms!
 - **Staff** – Beth Clarstrom was hired to replace Bonnie Trembath as Bookkeeper; Carroll Potter's hours have been reduced in preparation for her retirement in September; Mark Kempenich is fully recovered from surgery; Kate Mophew is transitioning to part-time Church Administrator position.
 - **GraceLink** – we have reached nearly 300 members who use our new web community
 - **Finance Report** – our expenses have significantly exceeded our offerings. Much of the challenge comes from increased staffing. The good news is that our bills have been pay, but we have had to drain a considerable amount of our savings and dedicated accounts.
 - **DayCare** – the toddler program has moved into the Nursery
- Stewardship Campaign – preliminary plans were discussed about our upcoming October Stewardship Drive. The main point is spiritual growth: "Take a Step!"

The meeting ended in a time of prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie Crooks, Vision Board Secretary