

NLS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
KING OF GLORY LUTHERAN CHURCH
SYLVANIA, OH
JULY 20, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. EDT by Steve Gielda, President.

Board Members present were: Steve Gielda, President (video); Steve Barnett, VPA; Wendy Showalter, VPO; Carol McGill, Secretary; Brenda Accola, Treasurer; Pr. Doug Givan, Spiritual Director; Carol Reedstrom, Newsletter; Diane Purcell, Financial Advisor; and Paul Schmidlin, Executive Director.

Daily Devotion given by Steve Gielda.

Went over the **Intent and Roles at the Business Meeting.**

Vision for 2017

Brainstorming:

Clarity of roles & purpose of Regional Coordinators

Intent of pastoral video for lay directors – that LD would make a plan to share the video with x-number of pastors w/in the next 12 months. Board's job is to help and support this plan.

Outreach Expectations – How the Board can help local secretariats make a 5-year plan to birth a new community.

Why is this Vision so important?

Help to build on the R&R program.

Work on getting Host Committees five years out.

Create a “director” of communications so that everyone is using the same terms, spellings, language, etc., and that the communications go out timely. **Will talk about at Midyear. Wendy will put together a proposal for Midyear Meeting.**

Constitution and Bylaws need to be amended. Keep better track of secretariat constitution and bylaws. Are they up-to-date, etc. This needs to be tightened up. **Diane will put together a list of things that need attention to discuss at Midyear Meeting.**

Following to be presented at Business Meeting to Assembly:

Clarity of roles & purpose of Regional Coordinators

Fully functioning in their role by 2016 Midyear Meeting.

Gather and collect the statistics NLS needs, i.e., # of weekends, # of participants, SD names & e-mail addresses. Basically moving the survey into the hands of the Regional Coordinators.

Intent of pastoral video for lay directors

NLS Board members introduce Pastoral Pipeline to Lay Directors and strategy to leverage video.

NLS Board member will contact Regional Coordinator when contact is complete.

Above to be done by Midyear meeting.

Outreach Goal

React to other parts of the world that are seeing a VdC community.

Canada

Indonesia

Coordinate with Regional Coordinators to help Secretariats effectively meet the needs of birthing a new community.

Encourage R&R action plans

Inspire all Secretariats to build a R&R action plan.

Building stronger 4th Day at the top

Strengthen our relationships w/ one another.

Accountability to one another around key.

Reestablish monthly prayer partners.

Send prayer requests to Pr. Doug.

Be bold to hold each other accountable in love to responsibilities.

Cleanup Constitution & Bylaws of NLS

Diane will review and make recommended modifications by Midyear meeting.

Budget

Diane moved that the 2016 Saturday Gathering offering go to Outreach. Second by Steve B. Motion carried.

Doug moved that the Proposed General Fund Budget for 2016-2017 be recommended for approval by the delegates at the Gathering. Second by Steve B. Motion carried.

New Secretariats

Wendy moved that the Northern Plains of North Dakota and Lake Gaston be accepted as secretariats in the Via de Cristo community. Seconded by Brenda. Motion carried.

November Midyear Meeting will be November 17-20, 2016, Winston-Salem, NC, Wake Forest University.

Pr. Doug closed in prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m. EDT.

Carol McGill

Secretary