

Sunshine Cathedral MCC, Inc.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS – MEETING
Tuesday – JANUARY 12, 2016
7:00 PM, Room 8
1480 SW 9th Avenue
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33315

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Denev at 7:01PM. Allan announced we had a quorum.
- II. **Opening Prayer**

Dear God,

We rejoice in the gifts that we have to share, in the vision to which we are committed, in the community we are forming, and in the lives that we are touching with the power of hope and healing. We give thanks for the work we do, knowing that it is your spirit flowing through us that is changing lives. Bless the Sunshine Cathedral to be a blessing to our community and to the world. Amen.

III. Roll Call

Board Member		Effective May 1, 2015/ Year Term Expires	In Attendance	Term Limit
Rev. Dr. Durrell Watkins	Vice Chair	Ex Officio	Present	-----
Denev Priddy	Chair	2016	Present	3 of 3
Cathy Tullo		2017	Present	2 of 3
Lynda Pantoja		2017	Present	1 of 3
Dennis McWilliams	Treasurer	2016	Present	1 of 3
Robert McCormick		2017	Present	1 of 3
Twila Wilson		2016	Present	2 of 3
Allan Dupuis	Secretary	2017	Present	2 of 3
Robert Rhoads		2017	Present	1 of 3
Mary Fedoration		2016	Present	0 of 3
Melody Fiore		2016	Present	0 of 3

Guests: Reverend Walt, Reverend Anne, Reverend Robert

- IV. **Approval of Board Minutes from November:** Twila motioned for approval, BJ seconded. The members unanimously approved the minutes.
- V. **Discussion Items**
 - A. **Minister of Church Administration Report and Treasurer Report:** Reverend Walt provided an overview of the weekly report and cash position. We are enjoying the benefits

of a good harvest campaign and holiday season. We are in good financial position. He explained the process and listings for payroll accounts and stressed that payroll is funded. All assessments and taxes are paid up to date. There is also over 16K in the reserved account. Reverend Walt reported that he is increasing scrutiny on the weekly need to meet expenses section of the report to improve our efficiency. Overall, the figures will be more realistic and in line with the budget. He reviewed the status of the restricted account, reviewing the processes that the restricted accounts serve. Aged payables were also reviewed. Discussion ensued regarding plans to improve reserve and these will be paid in the middle of next month. Questions were posed and discussion ensued regarding postings in the reports.

Dennis reported that we have ended the year in the "black".

- B. Senior Minister's Report:** Durrell reported on Christmas Eve processes and the addition of third service was great. Programming for 2016 is set. Samaritan class has largest number of attendees ever. Stewardship campaign is launched. Dennis had article in Sunburst. This week BR is in the pulpit and Ty is in Sunburst. Sunday is the annual congregational meeting. He reminded the group that Lent starts early this year. We will do the lily campaign. He reminded the Board that leadership retreat will be conducted on the weekend of March 5. We will be using the book, *The Soul of Leadership* by Deepak Chopra. Lunch will be provided. Cindy Lippert will be with us and she will be preaching on Sunday the 6th. Reverend Anne reported on the success of the newcomer's reception. She will be doing the reception bimonthly. Next one is February 11th 7PM in the Chapel. Reverend Durrell reported on multiple new attendees including a student group from a seminary and several neighborhood folks too. Pocket Prayer was a big hit and success and will continue. Reverend Durrell reminded the group that this Sunday is "Service Industry" Sunday.
- C. Executive Minister's Report:** Reverend Robert provided additional information regarding Rev Anne's outreach ministry for bereavement group which has expanded. Rev Durrell added that our Recovery ministry has grown to include a worship service at a treatment center with triple digit attendance. Reverend Robert highlighted that we want to continue to work on getting the reserve account to a higher level. He provided an update on the progress of the projects funded by the Foundation. The Fire Marshall inspection is next week. We will need to address issues related to cracks in the masonry in the back of the building. Dedication of the Columbarium is slated for end of first quarter. Foundation will begin promoting the windows project. Twila inquired about the progress with the restroom. Rev Robert anticipates completion in the next few weeks. Durrell announced that as soon as capital campaign three is done, he will ask the Foundation to launch capital campaign four to address seat replacement and then capital campaign five to replace the administration building which is deteriorating rapidly. Reverend Robert provided an overview of logistic and possible pitfalls. Reverend Durrell announced plans to redesign the chancel which will be unveiled on Easter Sunday.
- D. From the Chair:** Nothing to report. Deney expressed his support and belief that 2016 looks good.

VI. Old Business- None

VI. New Business

a. Fundraising 2016

- i. Golden Girls Bingo-food and beverage?** Deney has asked Melody and Allan to head this up. Deney suggested offering sloppy joe's. No bar. Board will assemble at 4:30PM.
 - ii. 701 club- beverage service?** Bar will be provided by the board. January 30 at 8pm. 50/50 will also be offered. Board to assemble at 6:30P.
- b. Increase in Housing allowance on 2016 budget.** Dennis motioned that a change be made to the 2016 budget. He explained that need to change funds from salary to housing allowance. Motion to change housing allowance \$26,196.00 to \$29,487.00

offset from salary. BR seconded. No discussion. Board unanimously approved the motion.

- c. **Pledge Cards:** Mary announced that there were no pledge cards in the pews. This was known and the new pledge cards will be in place for the pledge day.
- d. **Fundraising:** BR requested clarification on fundraising for entire year. Recommended a separate meeting to address this need with each member bringing three ideas. Kathy suggested meeting on Feb 3. BR offered to host. Meeting will be held on February 3, 2016 at 6:30PM at BR's house.

VII. Adjournment: There being no further business, Mary motioned for adjournment, Robert seconded and the motion for adjournment was unanimous. The next Board meeting will be on Tuesday February 9, 2016 at 7:00PM.

Respectfully,
Allan E. Dupuis
Secretary