

**RiverTree Elder Board  
2021**

**Agenda**

**7/17/22**

Present: Cris Heffernan, Lisa Munch, Paul Schroeder, and Jesse Kisman

1. Spiritual Formation / Prayer
2. Pastor(s) Report/Update
3. Timely Topics -- current issues and looking to the future
4. What should we all know about?
  1. Issues
  2. Calendar
  3. Financial check

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- I. Spiritual Formation / Prayer
    - i. EHS – chapter 1
  
  - II. Pastor(s) Report / Update
    - a. Anna onboarding
      - a. Settling in well – working on meeting with parents soon
      - b. Getting a Sunday school type program off the ground for the fall
  
  - III. Timely Topics
    - a. Elder Rotation discussion
      - i. Names brought up
        1. Winnie W
        2. Cheryl
        3. Paul W
        4. Kathy
      - ii. Name to give offer to
        1. Cheryl
          - a. Jesse will talk with her this coming week and see if she is interested
    - b. location on Sundays
      - i. everyone is happy to say with Woerther for the moment
        1. most cost effective and good feeling space
      - ii. look at renting a room for Student 'Sunday School' if we need (as it grows)
  
  - IV. What should we all know about?
    - a. Issues?
      - a. Issues with live stream sound
        - i. Turn up my mic
        - ii. Play with camera placement to maximize audio cone
        - iii. Jesse and Anna will test out the life stream feed looking for audio dips
    - b. Calendar
      - a. Physical signup sheet for Ballwin days (to get more people involved)
    - c. Financial Check

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**5/1/22**

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I. Spiritual Formation / Prayer

- a. EHS – chapter 1
  - i. Did not get to → to do next time

II. Pastor(s) Report / Update

- a. Worship team
  - a. Team policy
    - i. Adjusted one sentence verbiage in the last sentence
      1. Policy approved
  - b. Weeks when Laruen is gone
    - i. Will bring in outside people to lead (rather than have an RTCC person lead)
- b. Guest preachers policy (for every time they come in)
  - a. In ECO Jesse's call
  - b. Outside of ECO present them to the board
    - i. Email containing
      1. Who they are?
      2. Why they are here
      3. What is their background
        - a. Denomination
          - i. Differences in theo
      4. What is their topic of preaching?

III. Timely Topics

- a. Moving from Plant to chartered church?
  1. what does deus look like?
  2. youth resources could be a benefit
  3. broaden our reach out into the community (before)
  4. a letter of what the difference between a plant and church
    1. perhaps do this as we get closer to making this change
  5. consensus is to not explore that option right now but rather stay a plant
- b. Elder Board Rotation

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1. keep the same policy as last time (EB acts as nominating committee)
  - a. rather than have a full open nomination/vote of members
2. come with a person to nominate and discuss for next time
3. and Jesse will talk with each elder in person about staying on or rotating off this year

IV. What should we all know about?

- a. Issues?
- b. Calendar
- c. Financial Check

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**2/13/22**

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5. Spiritual Formation / Prayer
6. Pastor(s) Report/Update
7. Timely Topics -- current issues and looking to the future
8. What should we all know about?
  1. Issues
  2. Calendar
  3. Financial check

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I. Spiritual Formation / Prayer

- a. Discuss Chapter 1 in Emotionally Healthy Spirituality  
bump to next time

II. Pastor(s) Report / Update

- c. Family life Director Job description
  - a. Address
    - i. Size of church
    - ii. Grammatical issues
  - b. Send it to family group for approval and then get it posted
- d. Good Friday (outside?)
  - a. Outside approved (check for views)
    - i. Then make reservations
  - b. Will make reservations soon (and for summer services in park)
    - i. Check on the construction schedule on NBP
    - ii. Reber park?
    - iii. Make reservations for a few this summer
- e. ordination update
  - a. housing and terms of call
    - i. approved Jesse's proposed housing
    - ii. presb approved terms of call
      1. will have to reevaluate if we have to retirement match
  - b. clerk of session?
    - i. Cris H. volunteered (approved by board)
- d. missional activities
  1. Bourbon, Beer, and Bible
    - a. Set for next week
  2. Divorce Care Class
    - a. Hope to get it off the ground for fall→getting the family ministry in place is super important for this

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3. Mary Culver Home
  - a. Evaluate jointed service later in the year
4. Add to list
  - a. Kathy's mission class
    - i. Jesse will follow up on with her to see how interest is
  - b. Summer student camp
    - i. Want to have it go →start working on schedule now
  - c. Parent teacher conferences activities for kids while things are going
    - i. Possible way to partner with Woerther
- e. Jesse's schedule for rest of the year
  1. May 26-30 (a Sunday)  
Approved
  2. July 3-9 (not miss a Sunday)  
Approved

III. Timely Topics

- a. community involvement (two ideas from everyone)
  1. discussed some above (but got bumped to next meeting for time sake)

IV. What should we all know about?

- c. Issues?
- d. Calendar
  - a. Check with life groups to see who will be here (over 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend)
    - i. Outdoor bbq?
- c. Financial Check

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**12/12/21**

Present: Cris Heffernan, Lisa Munch, Paul Schroeder, and Jesse Kisman

9. Spiritual Formation / Prayer
10. Pastor(s) Report/Update
11. Timely Topics -- current issues and looking to the future
12. What should we all know about?
  1. Issues
  2. Calendar
  3. Financial check

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I. Spiritual Formation / Prayer

- a. How is everyone's Advent progressing?
- b. What are you doing to prep your hearts for Christmas?

II. Pastor(s) Report / Update

- f. Student Director Job Posting
  - a. Revamp it to a family ministry position
- b. SMS Trivia
  1. \$300 dollar level—approved
- c. Christmas Eve
  1. 400pm at Laf
- d. ordination update
- e. missional activities
  5. Bourbon, Beer, and Bible
    - a. On deck for jan/feb
  6. Divorce care class
    - a. Temporary hire?
    - b. Check Ballwin pt?
    - c. Look at sept?
      - i. yes
    - d. Promotion?
    - e. Check in with Mandy about the need
  7. Mary Culver Home
    - a. Running once a month service there (first Sunday of the month)
    - b. Announce and ask for prayer

III. Timely Topics

- a. outline/rough schedule for next year
  1. what can we do to get out into the community?
    - a. everyone come with 2 ideas

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**10/18/21**

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I. Spiritual Formation / Prayer

a. While Shepherd Watch Their Flocks

- 1) do section 3 for next time

II. Pastor(s) Report / Update

a. Student Director Job Posting

- a. Forwarded to a few people
- b. Look to maybe spring internships
- c. Fill in with monthly events (volunteer RTCC led)

b. Vision and Direction of RTCC

a. Missional v Traditional???

- i. Lisa → missional—service Sunday idea (springboard for more)
- ii. Cris → Missional
- iii. Paul → how can we continue to show that Jesus did this?
- iv. All in favor of staying with the missional model
- v. January series on what it means to be missional

1. Lisa M. Opening Statements

- a. Mostly covered in section about missional v traditional
- b. Jesse Tree ordainments
  - i. RTCC set (one time) via social media

c. Small things

1. Christmas Eve (approved to do)

- a. Ballwin PT (2)
- b. Laf (1)
  - i. Jesse will follow up w/ Kyle
- c. BPC (3)

2. Blue Christmas (not good reception last year so probably not)

- a. Virtual if we do it

3. 'Bourbon and Bible' (approved to do)

- a. Contact B&S

4. Jesse time off in March

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- a. Approved

III. Timely Topics

- a. Lauren intro and Goals
- b. Budget

- 1) Budget approved with the following changes....
  - 1) add 1000 to beneficence
  - 2) \$750 for each life group and \$300 to YLBS

IV. What should we all know about?

- a. Issues?
  - a. Credit card limit (After Cheryl closed her hard our limit went down)
    - i. Can we raise the limit?
      - 1. Approved.
- b. Calendar
- c. Financial check