

# Splinters from the



## BOARD MEETING

Highlights from the  
Ministry Board meeting of  
First Christian Church,  
May 23, 2016

### CELEBRATIONS SHARED!

Celebrated the news that as of April 30, offerings were running almost \$4000 ahead of budget (thank you!!), and expenses were \$10,500 under budget. The “bottom line” is an “in-the-black” budget by \$11,800.

Received with appreciation reports from all program & ministerial staff.

Received with gratitude a report from Assistant to the Sr. Pastor/Capital Campaign Project Manager Gay Hatler that the building re-keying project is underway, a new 500 watt light now illuminates the parking lot, a new video projector will soon replace the sanctuary’s decade-plus old one, the kitchen faucet was replaced for \$700 less than the initial estimate (!) and the fresh air chase for the sanctuary is finished - giving the sanctuary access to fresh air for the first time in 50 years! (Thanks to Dan Woods & Lars Melson for their help with the faucet and fresh air chase projects, respectively).

Celebrated that the Tennyson Center will finally be moving into the renovated office

(made possible by a “mission tithes” of your Capital Campaign gifts) to begin their El Paso County work around July 1. Sr. Pastor Chuck Blaisdell & Treasurer Chris Straka will work on a user/partnership agreement with TCC.

Viewed the new website for FCC that should go “live” in the next couple of weeks, and received suggestions about how to make it even better.

Celebrated a successful hosting of the Region’s “Spring Feast”/Regional Assembly, and received a letter of thanks from Interim Regional Minister Dean Phelps.

Discussed security improvements that have been made to FCC’s building, along with continuing challenges in this area.

### ACTIONS TAKEN

Unanimously voted to continue Darryl Searuggs pastoral staff relationship with First Christian, now that his formal internship at Illif Seminary has ended. The Board designated Darryl as “Student Associate Minister.” Much appreciation was expressed for Darryl & all the gifts he has brought to FCC during this internship.

Approved with appreciation the work of the Nominating Committee and the slate for election at the June 5 Annual Meeting.

Appreciation was offered for Sara Strawderman, Cathy Liss, & Rosie Crumley, whose terms as members-at-large end next month.

*Questions? Please feel free to ask Moderator Don Metz or Senior Pastor Chuck Blaisdell!*

(An agenda and complete packet of materials from the Board meeting is available by request to Chuck Blaisdell [chuck@blaisdells.net](mailto:chuck@blaisdells.net))