



North Haven Congregational Church

Board of Finance Minutes

Meeting of April 15, 2008

Attending: Betsey Reid, chair; Philip DiPeri, Adam, Schweickert, Steve Peterson, John Tibor, Scott Morrow, Philip James

The meeting was called to order by Betsey at 6:08 pm.

On Motion by Philip and second by Adam, the Minutes of the March 4, 2008 meeting were approved as distributed.

The Treasurer's report was presented by John. As of April 11, expenses are running some \$1,400 ahead of net income. Philip moved acceptance of the report; with Adam seconding, the report was adopted.

Scott gave his minister's report. He commented first on the adult mission trip to Gulfport, Mississippi. He also commented that he was optimistic about the pledging and general financial picture of the church. He noted a "can-do" attitude in the congregation and thought that would carry us through what appears to be tight stretch.

Phil James gave the Recording Secretary report through the first quarter. Total pledges are \$181,500 with 168 pledging units. This is 16 pledging units fewer than we had in 2007.

Philip summarized the Council Meeting of March 18.

Current Business:

- Betsey reported that the evaluation of the M2M campaigns suggests that it should not be repeated. Keeping track of the packets was too time consuming and unreliable. As a result, we will soon need to think about the approach we will use for the 2009 campaign this fall.
- The Counting schedule has been updated, but there are some holes. Upon motion of Philip, second by Steve, the Board voted to invite Phil James back into the counting schedule on an "as-needed/as-available" basis.
- Martin Benassi has prepared a preventative maintenance plan, but it cost rather more than we had anticipated. Betsey is going to try to identify some other people who do this work. Also, Phil may know people who can do the heating and the building exterior envelope assessment.

Board agreed that its next meeting would be May 13, again coinciding with the Council Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 in order for Betsey and others to attend the Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Peterson, Secretary