

The Woods Baptist Church
Long Range Planning Committee Meeting
September 15, 2021

Members present: Dale Hawbaker, Lon Graham, Andrea Hathcote, Teresa Kahler, Haley Melton, Harold Richardson, Zaca Wilson, and Holly Lutmer

Welcome & Opening Prayer: The meeting was started at 7:33 pm, and Harold opened with prayer. Greetings to committee members and prayer requests. Shared updates. Larry McLain has submitted his resignation from the committee due to his health concerns. The committee has accepted.

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Teresa to approve the August 18, 2021 minutes and seconded by Holly. Motion passed.

Old Business:

None.

Discussion Topics:

- a) Consider plans for Thanksgiving Church-Wide Meal and/or Program
 - a. Wednesday evening meals seem to be going well.
 - b. Motion was made by Harold that if Kitchen Committee thinks it can be done, let's do it. Seconded by Haley. Motion passed. The Kitchen Committee has the final say about what can be done, if it can be done.
 - i. Inform church body that attendance is up to the individual.
 - c. Program planning will be left up to TWBC staff.
- b) Review Ministry Survey Results Summary
 - a. 50 survey responses were submitted
 - b. Survey responses were reviewed
- c) Determine next steps for ministry opportunities
 - a. Need to resolve Sunday night services issue
 - i. Should be handled in a called business meeting on Sunday morning
 - ii. Gone without a Sunday night service for 18 months
 - iii. It is another Bible Study time where we already have many opportunities
 - iv. Survey responses show less than 10% would regularly participate on Sunday night
 - v. Pastor is already preaching Sunday morning, leading study Wednesday night. It's a lot of pressure on him.
 - 1. If Sunday night comes back, he would lose time for 1:1 discipleship.
 - vi. Hardship for volunteers that make service work

- vii. Motion was made by Harold to not return to previous Sunday night worship service format. Holly seconded the motion. The motion passed. The committee is looking for other ministry opportunities that might help us more effectively reach the community.
- viii. Leaves Sunday night time open for other activities.

New Business:

Next meeting scheduled for January 2022 unless a need arises.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Harold to adjourn and seconded by Haley. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm. Dale closed the meeting in prayer.