Colorado Family Church Council Minutes and Open Sharing Session

Michael Hentrich April 21, 2020



Community Council Meeting on February 23, 2020 after service

Opening Prayer: Justino Alves

The intentions of the meeting are for the community to feel comfortable in bringing up any questions, concerns or learn more about the council.

Many changes will be coming up, renovations outside and indoors. Including the sanctuary.

The question raised by the community is why remove the pews? What is the purpose as this is a church, why remove the pews?

The Church is looking to generate more income by renting out the church. The concern lies as to what is the purpose. Is there any interest in people wanting to rent? Can't we just rent out the café and French ministry room?

The way the room is laid out it's not conducive to any other purpose other than Sunday service. It is a slow process and things will be taken step by step.

Why is the focus not on Youth education? We need to turn our focus more on the children rather than the building. We need a good balance of the spiritual and physical.

The building has been neglected for a long time and we do not want to be the stain on the neighborhood. We need to keep up with the shift and growth of the neighborhood. The financial committee ensures to make sure we are not doing anything to hurt our church financially.

The chairs that would be put in, if we do change out the pews, they will be nice high-quality chairs. Not folding chairs or anything cheap.

Will there be carpet? There hasn't been a decision made. It is determined on the noise and sound.

Will we rent out rooms to anyone? No. We would have very clear values, and if their activities do not align with those values, then we would not rent out to them.

Will the church not survive without this extra income?

No, it will survive and is surviving but relying just on the tithing is unpredictable. So is good to diversify our income.

When will this process start?

It would not start until this summer.

Will the sign in the front be a digital sign?

That is still yet to be determined. The pastors really want it but it is costly.

Not sold on the idea for digital screens/tv's for the chapel.

Good point to be brought up. Should try with just a cardboard or foam sheet to try out and see what it potentially would look like before spending money. If the concern is the dimness of the current screen, they do sell more high-quality screens at a cheaper price.

It is possible to have the Café open after church rather than just before service?

Something to consider.

Also Sunday school cannot begin until the café is cleaned up and closed. Perhaps shifting the time when the café is open will help avoid the disruption in Sunday school.

How about the kitchen?

The kitchen is looking great on paper but nothing has been started. It's like the chapel, it needs to be complete if we want to rent out the building. No start date has been set yet. A lot still needs to be figured out.

The area on the stage downstairs in the dining room is usually full of junk. It brings down the atmosphere of the room. Could be a more positive part of the dining room. A nice place to bring guests to get away from the hustle. Possible cozy nook/sharing area.

Perhaps if there is a coffee pot brought up to the café for a self service after lunch. Worried of the conflict with the café. Can have a different section in the side chapel for self service after lunch. Will need someone to be responsible for it. Will bring to the pastors attention.

Closing prayer: Margo Nye

Council Meeting on February 23, 2020 before Sunday service

Attendance: Margo Nye, Jim Chimes, David Mahardy, Justino and Joelle Alves, Pastor Mike and Pastor Adonia.

Prayer: David Mahardy

HDH: Margo Nye

Pastor report:

Pastor Mike is leaving tomorrow for a church conference in Las Vegas. Making plans as a nation for the year. Another Famicon Conference coming up in March. Need to start prepping for the Spring refresh. We will have roughly about \$50,000 from HQ coming soon. This money has been ear marked for the Denver church for the last 20 yrs and has been set aside for building renovations. Will start talking again with renovation team on where to start.

We have a bench for the Won Jeon site. Wanting Rev. Jackson to come for that.

More families moving to Colorado including Adonia's sister and brother in law.

Regarding the upcoming meeting with community after service:

Pews are a topic that was brought up to discuss. Pastor Mike says if it is a feasible option to remove the pews, the seating will be just as comfortable or even more so than the pews.

Potential topics are Sunday school, sound proofing the cafe and renovation funds.

Prayer: Jim Chimes