

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

Via Conference Call – January 24, 2017

Members Present: Brent Nymeyer, Cory Engel, Dan Morgan, Steve Strutz, Robert Canen, Jon Oakland, Derry Long, Mark Erickson, Bruce Inion, Werner Siebert. Special Guest: Crull Chambless

Brent opened in prayer.

ACTION ITEMS

It was M/S/C to establish a policy review committee to go over Conference policies for possible adjustment. Members of committee are Steve, Brent, Jon Oakland, Dave Ulrich, and Karen Walton.

It was M/S/C to establish a ministerial training education fund to aid ministerial members to seek higher education degrees (i.e. doctoral degrees). It will initially be funded with \$15,000 from undesignated funds with the Board of Ministry overseeing the fund.

It was M/S/C to allow Steve to provide information to our ministers about Rob Workman and his willingness to be a “mining” assistant for sermon preparation. Steve will provide information on the service as well as cost.

It was M/S/C to give Steve and Brent the authority to research and make a decision as to Beach’s invitation to the Western Conference to host the 2017 Annual Conference in Beach, ND.

Crull Chambless presented a proposal by Harvest Church to aid Western Conference churches as well as potential church plants with worship resources (i.e. video preaching, etc.) under the oversight of Derry Long. After discussion it was M/S/C to fund Derry’s position for 2 months for a total of \$6600 while a committee consisting of Derry, Crull, Cory, Steve, Brent, and Dan consider the further implications of the request to report at Spring Boards when it will be determined whether to provide further funding.

The election of a new superintendent was discussed and it was decided to use a hybrid approach where there will be a meeting in Billings for those able to attend in March and those who are unable to attend will be able to view a simulcast and vote electronically.

It was M/S/C to allow electronic votes to be counted the same as those in person. It was M/S/C to appoint Karen as the election administrator. It was M/S/C to allow probationers and local license personnel serving conference churches to vote for superintendent.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Canen
Western Conference Secretary