

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The Board of Woodmont Christian Church met Monday evening, January 28. Here are a few highlights from the meeting:

The upgrade of Woodmont's website is underway, with several changes already made to make the website more "user friendly." These "web renovations" will make our website a more valuable tool as we reach out to members, visitors and others, and also make it easier for our volunteers to keep the website up-to-date.

The repairs and renovations to our organ were completed last month, and the fundraising to offset the costs of the repairs covered approximately 68% of the expenditure (total cost of approximately \$115,000). Representatives of the Board will be working with representatives of both the Finance Committee and the Endowment Committee as to how the \$37,000 balance of the loan from Endowment, which funded the repairs and renovations, will be repaid. If you have been meaning to make a donation towards the organ repairs and renovations but have not yet done so, please mark your check "Organ Fund."

The Board received additional information as to the PreSchool, including a restructure of the way custodial staffing has been shared by the PreSchool and the Church. Trey Flowers is leading a weekly "Chapel Service" in the PreSchool, as we work to make the PreSchool a true outreach of, and resource for, Woodmont Christian Church. Ann Luther and John Hobby were appointed to the PreSchool Board.

David Maloney (WCC Treasurer) and Scott Potter (Director of the Resource C.R.E.W.) updated the Board on the current financial status of the Church (which is currently "ahead of budget"), and the transition of the church budget from the "Division format" to the new "C.R.E.W. format." The 2008-09 Stewardship Campaign will begin shortly, and will be chaired by Alison Elliott.

The Board approved a request to add shelving to the Mansion Conference Room to house several thousand books which have been made available to the Woodmont ministerial staff, Sunday School teachers and members. The books which will be housed in the Conference Room are part of a large collection belonging to the Stauffer family, and will be a resource to Woodmont, as a supplement to the Library maintained in Room 208.

Clay Stauffer reported on the status of recruiting and interviewing for vacant ministerial positions, including the recent hiring of Farrell Mason as our Associate Minister of Family Life and Pastoral Care. If you have not met her yet, information about Farrell and her family can be found on the Woodmont website. Recruiting continues for the position of Associate Minister of Adult Education, Discipleship and Pastoral Counseling, as well as a recent custodian vacancy.

Gary Thompson, chair of the Nominating Committee, updated the Board as to the timing of this year's Nominating Committee process. The Nominating Committee is charged with suggesting 3 new "at large" Board members, 5 elders, 20 deacons, and congregation officers each year. If you have suggestions for the Committee please contact any Nominating Committee member-their names and contact information can be found in the Spire or on the website.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for February 25.

Michael Brent, Chair