

City First Church of the Nazarene  
Board Meeting Minutes  
February 10, 2025

Present:

CHURCH BOARD: Rob Martin, Dennis Gregory, Tiffany Price, Terrie Klein, Aleixandra Tejada Vela, Cindi Kinch, Cindy Ryan

STAFF (non-voting): Ryan Green, Ron Alexander, Kylie Green, Daniel Buckwalter, Brooke Marcois, Sarah Schoenherr

SCHOOL (CFCA): Ed Emberlin

GUEST: Armando Menchaca

18:07 Call to Order, Opening Prayer- Terrie offered opening prayer.

18:08 Approval of Agenda- MSP\*

18:09 Approval of Minutes- MSP, one abstain

18:10 Report of Officers

1. Ryan gave some highlights from the Ministry Dashboard. Attendance is gradually increasing. He also gave an update to thank God for answering our prayer to call for people to serve, and that are committed to the ministry.
2. Ron gave a finance report. He talked through the current finances and provided a sneak peek at the '25-'26 budget to be voted on in the March meeting- MSP

18:34 Teams Updates

1. Hispanic Ministry- Pastor Elias was not in attendance, Ryan shared that some bonding plans are in the works to create more unity between the congregations.
2. CFCA- Ed reported that he is now the acting Treasurer for the school. The Carnival was successful. 1<sup>st</sup> annual Gala Ball is scheduled for May.
3. Pastor Daniel- January was the first annual Winter Retreat. 17 youth attended. Giving God all the glory. 11 of those show clear evidence of God moving in their lives. It is great to see what the Lord is doing. Three areas of specific focus. (Further information available upon request)
4. Pastor Kylie- Connect Party is going well with 15-16 people attending. Worship has seen prayers answered in requests for qualified people to serve in specific areas of need. The answer to these long-term prayer requests is boosting the faith of those that are seeing it happen.
5. Pastor Mark Kelley- see report attached below.

6. Brooke Marcois- Brooke is seeing relationships developing as kids are spending time together. She is considering a preschool group. Currently working on communication with the parents to share the curriculum.

19:13 Updates- Ryan

1. New Room Cohort Report- Ryan and Kylie connected with this organization and are experiencing connection with them including recently in NYC. "Awakening happens at the pace of relationship" is a major theme.
2. Awakening Church- their lease agreement was not extended. They are looking for one to take them through the summer.
3. Tech Director- the Baileys are still planning to make their way here early in April.
4. Young Adults and College- we have an interim solution to provide Pastoral leadership to this group. Not a paid, full-time position but looking at options. Corbin Bushey is the person.
5. Matsens' Ordination Process- Ryan updated on a 1-year pause for both.

19:45 Adjournment and Prayer- Cindy Ryan closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rob Martin  
Church Board Secretary

\*Moved, Seconded, Passed

## Pastor Mark's February Report

### Small Groups Pastor

We started 4 adult Sunday classes on January 12. We are averaging 63 in attendance. Pastor Daniel is leading a new class for young adults, which is a new feature this year. Each class gives members the chance to discuss their responses to the sermon, and then to share what they learned by reading through the Bible Reading Plan.

Many of our new Discipleship Bands will meet for the first time this week. Pastor Ryan and I have worked to develop a team of facilitators and to organize at least 15 groups. These are small groups of 3-5 who meet weekly to share to share their successes and struggles on the path of discipleship.

### Senior Adults Pastor

I met with a group of seven January to begin planning out our Senior Adult events for 2025. Our first event will be a Bingo Bash at the Fairfield Campus. We chose February 17 which is Presidents Day, hoping that some of our working Seniors can join us.

Last year, our events were well received, with around 50 in attendance at most events. These are great opportunities for Senior Adults to meet their largest felt need: fellowship with each other.

"Senior Adults" are those 60 and older who worship at either of our campuses. All told, City First is the faith home for a little more than 100 Senior Adults, almost evenly split between our two campuses.