ITEM A.101
FOR ACTION

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Subject: Minutes – Finance Committee – April 23-24, 2014

Recommendation: That the Finance Committee approves the following minutes from the April 23-24, 2014 Finance Committee meeting:

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
Brown Hotel
Louisville, KY 40202
April 23-24, 2014

Attendance

Present for all or part of the meeting were:

Finance Committee Members:
- Clark Cowden
- Jack Hodges
- Jo Stewart
- Chad Herring
- Jack Shelver
- Kathy Trott
- Wendy Tajima

Excused:
- Clay Antioquia
- Molly Baskin
- Bill Capel
- Thomas Fleming

Staff:
- Kris Baker
- Joe Ferguson
- Kathie Lyvers
- Terri Bate
- Brian Frick
- Andrea McNicol
- Sylvia Carter
- Ruth Gardner
- Debbie Newnum
- Toni Carver-Smith
- Teresa Grant
- Susan Ochs
- Martha Clark
- Denise Hampton
- Tim Quinn
- Barry Creech
- Chip Hardwick
- Lisa Robbins
- April Davenport
- Tamron Keith
- Tim Stepp
- Roger Dermody
- Mike Kirk
- Linda Valentine
- Diane Dulaney
- Sam Locke
- Jerry VanMarter
- Barry Creech
- Earline Williams

Others:
- Ellen P. Cason, Audit Committee
- Anita Clemons, Presbyterian Foundation
- Debra Hepler, Ghost Ranch
- Jay Hudson, Presbyterian Investment & Loan Program
- Jim Rissler, Presbyterian Investment & Loan Program
- Greg Rousos, Presbyterian Foundation
- Leslie Scanlon, Presbyterian Outlook
- Tom Taylor, Presbyterian Foundation
- Kitty Ufford-Chase, Stony Point Center
- Rick Ufford-Chase, Stony Point Center
April 23, 2014

Welcome
Jo Stewart, Vice Chair, welcomed everyone.

Opening
The meeting opened with devotion and prayer led by Chad Herring, followed by the Finance Committee Dinner.

Call to Order
Jo Stewart called the combined meeting of the Finance Committee of the Presbyterian Mission Agency and the Corporate Property, Legal, and Finance Committee of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), A Corporation meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., followed by introductions.

Adoption of Meeting Agenda
A revised meeting agenda was distributed and approved (A.100)

Self Insurance Fund Overview
Jo Stewart introduced Kris Baker, who gave a Self Insurance Fund Overview.

Property Overview
The Committee went into closed session to discuss the property overview, which was given by Earline Williams. The closed session ended at 9:00 p.m. with no actions taken.

Meeting Recessed
The meeting was recessed until 8:30 a.m. on Thursday. Kathy Trott offered the closing prayer at 9:05 p.m.

April 24, 2014

Meeting Reconvened
Jo Stewart reconvened the combined meeting of the Finance Committee of the Presbyterian Mission Agency and the Corporate Property, Legal, and Finance Committee of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), A Corporation.

Opening Prayer
Jo Stewart offered the opening prayer.

Call to Order
Jo Stewart called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m. Members will be acting both as the Finance Committee and the Corporate Property, Legal, and Finance Committee of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), A Corporation, doing business simultaneously.

2014 Revised Mission Budget
Earline Williams discussed the 2014 Revised Mission Budget which is part of the Financial Reports to the 221st General Assembly (2014), and is listed in Item A.104. The Committee then VOTED to APPROVE and RECOMMEND to the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board the 2014 Revised Mission Program Budget of $79,946,530. (A.102), and the 2014 Capital commitments of $648,000. (A.103).

Capital Request for Ghost Ranch
Earline shared with the committee that Ghost Ranch had an emergency capital request for sewer and roof repairs. The repairs are necessary to maintain the safety and health standards and the infrastructure of the Ranch. After some discussion, the Finance Committee VOTED to APPROVE and RECOMMEND to the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board the following action for approval: (A.110)
That the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board (PMAB) approve, ratify, and confirm advancing the amount of Three Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars ($340,000.00), from the Presbyterian Mission Agency’s capital reserve budget to pay on behalf of Ghost Ranch-Abiquiu for emergency sewer and roof capital repairs and replacements, said advancement being conditioned upon the replenishment of these advanced funds in order of priority as follows:

1. Repayment shall be made from the proceeds, if any, of the sale, lease or other disposition of assets relating to Ghost Ranch, as provided for in the Ghost Ranch Conference Center Governance Covenant (2011), page 6 (Financial Administration, Budget, And Forecasting).

2. Repayment from the interim lease payments from the City of Albuquerque and the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority for lease payments made in 2015, 2016, and 2017, if any.

Funds will be released by the Mission Agency to the vendor(s) who will perform the sewer and roof work as the contracted work is completed, inspected, and signed off by the Ghost Ranch Executive Director and Manager of Operations.

Earline gave a presentation of the budget process, giving an overview of the 2015-16 Mission Budgets. The 2015-16 Mission Program Budgets are part of the Financial Reports to the 221st General Assembly (2014), and are listed in Item A.104. The Committee then VOTED to APPROVE and RECOMMEND to the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board the 2015 Mission Program Budget of $73,671,744 and the 2016 Mission Program Budget of $78,226,389, and the proposed 2015 and 2016 Capital commitments of $535,000 and $325,000, respectively, as presented in the Capital Reserve Fund Schedule. (A.103)

Earline shared with the committee that World Mission is requesting that $1 million in PMPF funds be specifically designated as contingency for the Mission Personnel office. These contingency funds will only be accessed in emergent scenarios. The Committee then VOTED to APPROVE and RECOMMEND to the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board that $1 million be committed in PMPF for World Mission contingency expenses. (A.109)

The Finance Committee of the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board:

VOTED to APPROVE the following consent agenda:
1. Minutes of Finance Committee February 2014 Meeting, March 25, 2014 Conference Call, and April 1, 2014 Conference Call (A.101)
2. Financial Reports to the 221st General Assembly (2014) (A.104)
3. Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Mortgage Corporation – Election to the Board of Directors (A.107)
4. Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Mortgage Corporation – Concurrence of
Jo Stewart introduced Rick and Kitty Ufford-Chase, Chip Hardwick, Roger Dermody, and Linda Valentine who gave the Stony Point Center Report and recommendation. Rick started the discussion by giving highlights of the report, followed by questions. Jo read the recommendations and opened the floor up for discussion.

Item 4 of the recommendation (A.106) was amended and the Finance Committee VOTED to APPROVE and RECOMMEND as amended, that the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board:

1. Affirm the mission of Stony Point Center as consistent with the proposed Interreligious Stance to be considered by the 221st General Assembly (2014).¹

2. Express appreciation for the work done by staff to synthesize concerns regarding Stony Point Center and develop a working plan to move forward.

3. Direct the Sponsors [Linda Valentine (PMA Executive Director), Roger Dermody (Deputy Executive Director of Mission), and Rick and Kitty Ufford-Chase (Stony Point Center Co-Directors)] to establish a set of milestones to move Stony Point Center toward full financial sustainability over a period of three years. If the milestones are met, the plan will continue for another year. If the milestones are not met for two consecutive periods, staff will begin the process of winding down the operation of Stony Point Center. Annual reports will be submitted to the PMA Board by the Sponsors concerning the plan and whether Stony Point Center has achieved the milestones for the year.

4. Dismiss the Stony Point Center Transitional Task Team (TTT) and the Evaluation committee effective August 15, 2014 with deep gratitude for their formative and foundational work toward this resolution, and commend all ongoing work of reconciliation among staff and board members, with a report to the Executive Committee prior to the September 2014 Board Meeting.

In addition to the requests in the Stony Point Center recommendation, the Finance Committee requested an on-going information report on milestone progress and an update on the TTT reconciliation process.

The following informational reports were received:

Presbyterian Mission Program Operating Reports as of December 31, 2013, which are part of the Financial Reports to the 221st General Assembly (2014), and is listed in Item (A.104, pp 6-7)

¹ The Stance can be found at this link:
http://www.pc-biz.org/MeetingPapers/(S(odfyua140lmnkjc20pku3i13))/Explorer.aspx
Ghost Ranch Update

Debra Hepler gave a brief overview on Ghost Ranch including a forecast of events coming to Ghost Ranch as well as new initiatives within the national church. Ghost Ranch is working toward financial sustainability in the near future and will present a five-year plan in September. Chad thanked Debra for her comments and presence.

Other Reports

Updated Technology Policy (A.207)
Updated Data Security Policy (A.211)
Coordinated Loan Program Report (A.208)
Self Insurance Fund Annual Report (A.209)
Presbyterian Foundation Endowment Fund Report (A.210)

1st Quarter Financial Reports

Denise Hampton went over the 2014 first quarter financial reports as follows:

Presbyterian Mission Program Fund Reports as of March 31, 2014 (A.212)
Per Capita Operating Reports as of March 31, 2014 (A.213)
The Congregational Ministries Publishing - Curriculum Publishing Program Area financials as of March 31, 2014 (A.215)
Stony Point Financials as of March 31, 2014 (A.216)
Ghost Ranch Financials as of March 31, 2014 (A.217)

Corresponding Member

The current acting chair will be unable to attend General Assembly this year, so the Finance Committee would like to send their chair-elect. The Committee then VOTED to APPROVE and RECOMMEND to the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board the addition of Chad Herring to the list of Corresponding Members to the 221st General Assembly (2014). (A.111)

Suggestions

Interest was expressed in a presentation about the budgeting process and how our budgets are built. It was also suggested that the committee consider meeting by “GoToMeeting” for future conference calls.

Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m. with closing prayer by Clark Cowden.