

**Sarasota Community Church  
Overseers Minutes – May 21, 2018  
Green Room**

*“Befriending all with the love of Christ through community, worship and service.”*

**Members Present:**            Danny Remchuk (Chair)            Dave Kniss  
   Karissa Miller (Vice-Chair)        Miriam Nauman  
   Nic King (Secretary)                Mike Gervasio  
   Dave Polen (Treasurer)

**Members Absent:**            None

**Pastoral Team Present:**     Roger Shenk                             Shirley Good  
   Kevin Bowder                            Mike Christner

**Pastoral Team Absent:**     Dennis Bontrager

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Danny Remchuk declared the meeting open at 5:07 pm.
2. **Devotional:** Miriam Nauman shared passages regarding Mother’s Day reflections and Roger’s sermons, including Koinonia love.
3. **Minutes:** Danny Remchuk declared April 23. 2018 minutes approved as distributed. (attached)
4. **Open Floor for Members comments :** none.
5. **New/Unfinished Business:**
  - a. We continue to seek a recording secretary for the Overseers. Danny will ask Bonnie to put this on the volunteer list.
- 6 **Reports:**
  - a. Pastor Roger Shenk reviewed his monthly Report. (attached)
  - b. Finance: The April 2018 statements were reviewed. This showed an overage of over \$10,000 for April. Year to date remains a deficit of \$4,000. Overall, the church’s finances are quite healthy.
7. **Committee Reports:**
  - a. Finance Committee:
    - i. Dave Polen shared insights regarding properties in Blountstown and North Port. It was agreed to table action on these until James Read comes and gets settled into his position.

- ii. After doing research, Dave found account products at Everence which could earn the church more interest than we are currently receiving. After reviewing, a motion was made: **Invest \$100,000 in a 12 month CD with Everence and look to move monies to the Praxis Money Market Account also sponsored by Everence. M/S/A – Dave Polen, Nic King**

- b. Membership Policy Task Force: none
- c. Conference Affiliation Task Force: Roger shared a report.
- d. Building Fund Committee: none

**8. Recommendations:**

- a. Approve housing allowance for James Read as Executive minister. M/S/A – Dave Polen, Dave Kniss

**9. Other Business:** none

**10. Executive Session:** None

**11. Closing Prayer:** Pastor Roger Shenk led in a closing prayer.

**12. Adjournment:** Danny Remchuk declared the Meeting adjourned at 5:57 pm

**Upcoming Events:**

- June Overseers Meeting – June 18, 5:00 PM
- Bowling Extravaganza – June 13
- Chili Cookoff – July 11

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Secretary, Nic King

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Interim Recording Secretary, Danny Remchuk

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# PASTOR'S REPORT TO OVERSEERS

May 15, 2018—Sarasota Community Church

## Welcoming the Sarasota Community

We have a regular flow of visitors from our community, but we can do even better. Let's be mindful to invite people each week to come join us for worship.

## Worship

- **Traditions and Modern.** Our attendance pattern is consistent with past years, with our second service again becoming the larger of the two. This doesn't reduce our attention to bringing a meaningful service of traditional music for our year round crowd. We also rejoice in the addition of new worship leaders to our second service. God is good.
- **Sound.** We are nearing installation of a drum cage and acoustic panels to help control volume.
- **Broadcast.** We are finalizing selection of an HD broadcast solution per approval.
- **Word.** I am pleased that we've been so accepting and desiring of teaching on the Holy Spirit. My hope and expectation (prayer) is that we will continue to grow in all the fullness of God, while retaining our congregational culture that is effectively welcoming so many from our community. May we all be filled with the Holy Spirit with renewed faith and love.

## Community

- **Visitors.** We have a consistent visitor flow.
- **New Members.** Thirteen people attended our May 6 Membership Interest Luncheon.
- **Community Groups.** In response to feedback about the current "Untapped" series on the Holy Spirit, I will be offering to teach a six week class for further discussion.
- **Caring Sisters.** The women's ministry continues to host regular meetings.

## Service

- **Dominican Republic.** The team, led by Dr. Bob Shamsey, included people from around the US, and served over 700 people in the week they were there.
- **Global Disciples.** I receive frequent information from disciplemakers in Nepal, the country we sponsor. We also have received our first draft promotional material about the "Multiply Disciples" conference we're hosting September 24-27.
- **Volunteers.** Many of our urgent needs for volunteers were filled! Thank you so much to those who were able to step up their involvement, many of them serving here for the first time. Amen!

## Lifestage Ministries

- **Youth.** The shift to more of a "discipleship" model is being well received by the students. The youth will be attending "12 Conference" for the third year in a row. We continue to invite the help of any adults who have a heart for seeing youth discipled in the ways of Christ.
- **Seniors.** Even when most of our seniors return to the north, our year round seniors ministry continues. Living Joyfully recently heard from Kevin Bowder. And in June we are planning to attend the musical about Johnny Cash's life, Ring of Fire.

