



Board Meeting Minutes
December 9, 2019, 6:00 PM, Allensville Mennonite Church

1. Scripture Focus and Prayer Point-- Herb
Psalm 103:1-5 Thanksgiving
Isaiah 9:2,6-7 - Christmas
2. Minutes from September 16, 2019, meeting were accepted
3. Financial Report - Finance report was submitted and no questions
4. Follow-up from Bob Bramhill
Ethel shared a summary of an email with Bob Bramhill regarding coming to the area as a speaker. We had the following discussion: If an event is held at a church, most likely people attending will be just that church. What events have been offered in the past? - Steve Wingfield in the 90's Heaven and Hells gates in the 2000's. Lewistown churches. Another possible setting is a Hotel conference room. Priority should be given to growing name recognition of Seven Acres Ministry as this needs to be in place prior to an event. This name recognition is developed by developing network connections through events like Human Resource Council meetings held the last Thursday of each month. Networking is going to need to happen prior to possible Fall 2021 event in which Bob Brahmill is the speaker.
5. Report of phone conversation with John Regier about speaking engagements
Bob shared a summary of his conversation with John with regard to a follow up about speaking at conservative Mennonite/Amish churches. The Colorado Springs office does not keep a list of churches requesting speaking engagement opportunities or couples requesting counseling. It was suggested to check with John to learn if he is willing to provide a list of names of churches/individuals who could be contacted. Also, it was suggested to ask John to write a letter of introduction and recommendation that could be given to churches that we reach out to.
6. Ministry Report
 - a. AACC summary - Bob shared about attending two workshops which explained the use of the Enneagram. Ethel shared on one of the workshops she attended and a contact she made with Annie Beiler of Auntie Anne's Pretzel.
 - b. Grace Support Curriculum will be available in January and plans for the next meeting will be made once the new workbooks come out.

- c. Continue to provide counseling to two different couples, every other week.
 - d. Ethel and Michelle will be following up with a referral.
7. Directions and Planning for 2020
Ethel reviewed the Strategic Plan and goals. Again it was mentioned that name recognition is key.. Sharing a testimony of the impact. Look at the goals and prioritize the next meeting. Work at developing business cards and Seven Acres website adding Ethel and Bob's picture.
8. In other business it was mentioned the possible future discussion about the need to change the name. Also the question about available time was asked and when Ethel/Bob will be able to give more time for Seven Acres Ministry.
9. The next meeting date is Monday, March 2, 2020, 6PM at Allensville Mennonite

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