



King of Peace Metropolitan Community Church

Board of Director's Meeting

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Zoom Meeting ID: 869 5187 8244

Tuesday, April 21, 2026
6:30 PM

Passcode: 210856

- **ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**
 - Rev Ray Simms, Moderator, Kevin Markham, Vice Moderator, Joni Gardner, Treasurer, Karen Moore, Clerk, Members-at-Large: Jeanne Scanlon, Bud Miller, Kathy Moll
 - Absent:
 - Also in Attendance: Ian Gomez, Nancy Elliott
- **OPENING PRAYER/READING** : Reverend Ray
- **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT** : 6:31 p.m.
 - Timekeeper: Joni Gardner
 - Scribe: Karen Moore
- **BOARD COVENANT OF LEADERSHIP** Karen Moore
- **CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA** (*Reports:15M, OldBusiness:15M, NewBusiness:15M*)
- **CLERK'S REPORT**
 - M: Jonie 2nd: Bud
- - **Discussion:** Kathy asked if the final copy was in the shared folder. Kathy had concerns about some minor wording that needs to be changed. DEI wording and the spelling of Cathy Campbells name. Kathy will review and share corrections.
 - **Vote:** All in favor/passed
- **SENIOR PASTOR'S REPORT**
 - M: Kevin 2nd: Kathy
 - **Discussion:**
 - **Vote:** All in favor/passed
- **TREASURERS REPORT**
 - M:Kathy 2nd: Karen
 - **Discussion:** Kathy asked why \$18k was moved. Reverend Ray stated that it was for the replacement of the ac unit in the social hall.
 - **Vote:** All in favor/passed



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OLD BUSINESS – Update/Follow Up

- **Building updates (Rev Ray):**
 - **Solar Bear update (Rev Ray/Ian Gomez)**

Ian shared that there was a group meeting at the church. Adam Coursey who is one of the owners of Solar Bear attended the meeting. Consideration was given to the letter that Ian sent on behalf of KOP. The letter consisted of a proposal to reduce the amount of the original invoice. Solar Bear sent back an amount which was not acceptable. Ian reached out to Mr. Coursey and left a voice message. Ian also contacted the office of the Solar Bear company and spoke with a live person. Ian indicated that he is drafting a letter to Mr. Coursey for an offer of \$5,000.00 which would be the approximate arbitration process cost. The reduced amount that Solar Bear sent to KOP was deemed insufficient. Ian asked the BOD for permission to offer \$5,000.00 up to \$7500.00 if he should hear from the Solar Bear company. The BOD are in agreement that Ian may act on behalf of the BOD up to &7,500. Kathy Moll made the motion and Joni second the motion
 - **AC issues in Fellowship Hall –** Kevin Markham reported Installation complete and passed inspection
 - **Piano Bench replacement or repair (Bud)** Bud reported that the bench needed a little cleaning and some parts replaced, but that the bench is in good working order
 - **Parking Lot lighting (Kevin)** Melanie has been in touch with Duke energy and Duke energy is scheduled to come to the church during the week of April 27, 2026.
 - **Social Justice (Kathy Moll)-** There were two events that took place. The No Kings Demonstration in which there was attendance at Gulfport, Tyrone, and Largo.
 - F.A.S.T. Nehemiah Action was the second event in which KOP had 41 attendees. The next meeting is 5/3/26
 - Jeanne mentioned that the General Strike is 5/1/26-This is where there is no shopping, or spending money for retail goods.
 - **Rainbow Housing Coalition (Rev. Ray)** There is a lady in the community who owns three houses and she rents out rooms. The rooms are furnished. The charge is \$750.00 per month to rent the room. One of the homes is for females only. The other two homes are co-ed homes.
- **NEW BUSINESS –**
 - **Building Project Management/Committee (Karen Moore/Kevin)** stated that in review of the job descriptions that it appears that the Building Project Management responsibility might be a bit much for the office administrator. Reverend Ray stated that Melanie previously



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worked Monday-Thursday and that Melanie requested to have more hours in order to increase her income. This is when the previous BOD voted to add the Building Project Management duty to Melanie's responsibilities as there was no other justification to increase her hours. Bud stated that he has asked Melanie to contact him first in the future prior to reaching out to contractors. Joni stated that she agrees with the request. Kevin stated that he would like to see the church get back to a building committee for things that need to be completed. Kevin asked Bud to put together a committee from members of the church body. Joni made a motion in favor of a building committee. Bud second the motion. Kevin asked Bud to report back at the next meeting regarding committee members. Reverend Ray asked that Bud let him know if we need a call out to volunteers,

- **UPCOMING DATES**

APRIL	MAY
22 – Administrator Appreciation Day	1 – National Day of Prayer
25 – Church Picnic – War Veterans Park 11AM	3 – Social Justice Meeting
26 – Music Director Appreciation Day	4 – Food Pantry Meeting
27 – Dinner Club (6PM) Leverocks Seafood	6 – Movie Night 7PM
	9 - Letter Carrier Food Drive
	10 – Mother's Day
	10 – Future Fund Collection
	13 – Psalms Study 7PM
	14 – Breakfast Club
	16 - Pasta Dinner/Drag Bingo 6PM

- **STAFF TIME OFF:**

Adjourned and Closing prayer

Prepared by: Kevin Markham/Rev Ray Simms



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