

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

Blackhawk Presbytery

January 23, 2018

The Trustees of Blackhawk Presbytery met on January 23, 2018 at Stronghold prior to the Presbytery Council meeting.

Treasurer Frank Finch summarized the written financial report. A positive development was a 2017 ending balance of \$102,391 compared to last year's deficit of \$6,000.

Frank did note that Stronghold had a 2017 deficit of \$30,821 and are not expected to meet upcoming payrolls. It is recommended that we again budget \$50,000 to cover shortfalls and reassess in the middle of the year. After much discussion regarding Stronghold's finances, **it was then moved, seconded, and carried to recommend to the Presbytery Corporation of Blackhawk to relieve Stronghold of its deficit through 2016 (\$279,423) leaving only the deficit of \$30,821 from 2017.**

Respectfully Submitted

Matthew T. Robinson, Moderator

REPORT OF PRESBYTERY ASSEMBLY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Blackhawk Presbytery

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The Presbytery Assembly Planning Committee met on January 23, 2018 at Stronghold following the Presbytery Council Meeting. The PAPC generally meets the month prior to Stated Meetings of Presbytery. Our main focus is to coordinate the Learning Opportunity portion of our Stated Meetings.

John R. reviewed plans for David Gambrell (PMA/Theology and Worship) to present at the February Meeting. David will provide us with about a 90-minute review of the revised Directory for Worship (focusing on effective, creative use) and a preview of what will be in the new *Book of Common Worship*. If there is enough interest, gauging from the assessment that day, we will have David return for a one-day workshop the day before our June Meeting at Stronghold.

For the April Stated Meeting of Presbytery we are hosting a Synod-sponsored half day "Healthy Boundaries and Ethics Training" led by Mark Sundby from LeaderWise. And in September we will offer a 90-minute Soul Shop workshop led by John Dillon, Laurie Walker, and Anita Stuart-Steva. Soul Shop equips faith communities to minister to those impacted by suicide. No plans yet for November Learning Opportunity.

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