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Genoa Community Church

9th Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes

Under the leadership of Keith Corban, President, the meeting came to order at 11:32 a.m.

Keith welcomed the attendees. And announced that the 'state of the Church' is very good. The finances are about the same as last year.

Patti Johnson, Board Treasurer gave a monthly breakdown of church finances. Although the final October figures are not in yet, the Church checkbook has \$14,753.01 with the Sunday offering of \$362.00 still to be deposited. The Money Market fund has \$7003.39.

### I. Church finances/Charitable Giving

The first order of business was to decide on the charitable giving recipients. There is approximately \$6,000 available for charitable giving. This figure is derived from the net proceeds of the church: the total proceeds, minus the expenditures, with one year's estimated expenditures in the bank. Historically, this figure is then divided into two categories: the Minister's annual bonus, representing one-third of this

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figure, and charitable giving, representing two-thirds of the available funds. In addition, the charitable giving has been divided evenly between the charities. The Church currently donates to FISH (Friends in Service Helping) and the Carson Valley Food Closet (CVFC).

Keith made a point that for the last several years the Church's priorities have been on local charities. He also made the point that the giving the Church offers to local families or congregants in need does not come out of the charitable contributions, but from the general fund.

Last year monies were taken from the general fund and given to the Jack's Valley Elementary School and the Douglas County Backpack Buddy Program, which goes to help feed qualified students for all of Douglas County.

After discussion, a motion was made to have Jack's Valley Elementary School and the Backpack Buddy Program become a third standard charity. The available funds for charitable giving would then be divided equally between FISH, CVFC, and Jack's Valley Elementary School/Backpack Buddy Program. The exact percentage shared between the elementary school and the Backpack Program would be decided by

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the Board at a later time. Brian Foster seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

As in the past, the Minister's bonus would be one-third of the net revenues of the church: A motion was made to keep this amount in place. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

### II. Church Lease

Keith has negotiated the Church's lease for the last eight years, but is unable to continue as Board President. After some discussion over the Church's lease a motion was made that a representative of the church would approach the Town of Genoa Board regarding a three year lease at the current lease rate. The motion was Seconded and passed unanimously.

### III. Election of Officers.

A new President was needed, to replace Keith. When a general question was asked of the attendees, Brian Foster raised his hand and indicated that he would be willing to be President of the Board and also negotiate the lease with Keith's help. A motion was made that Brian become the President of the Board. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

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Brian took over the meeting, now the acting President of the Board. A motion was made to retain Patti Johnson as the Board Treasurer. She accepted, the motion was seconded and passed unanimously. A motion was made that Patrick remain the Secretary for the Board. He accepted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Keith pointed out that per our bylaws, as registered minister must be on the Church Board.

Nancy Aten, through Bill, conveyed the message that she would be willing to serve another year on the Board if there was no one else interested. Also, Jeff Toland's Board position was open. When the attendees were asked, Martin Manning and Kathy Clippinger expressed interest in becoming Board Members. A motion was made to elect Martin as a Board Member at Large. He accepted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. An additional motion was made to elect Kathy as a Board Member at Large. She accepted; the motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The Current 2013-2014 Genoa Community Church Board:  
Brian Foster - President  
Patti Johnson - Treasurer  
Patrick Jolly - Secretary

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Kathy Clippinger - Member at Large

Martin Manning - Member at Large

The Board and the Church wish to express their deepest appreciation for the service given to this church by Nancy Aten (two years of service), Jeff Toland (one year), and Keith Corban ( nine years, with eight of those years as President). As 'President Emeritus', Keith has agreed to offer his services as a consultant. He will work with Brian regarding the negotiation of the lease, offer advice and background on the process.

It was also suggested by Suzanne that on the day of the presentation to the Town Board that as many people as possible attend the Town Meeting in support of Brian and the Church's position. The Secretary will keep the congregation informed via email.

President Brian Foster thanked everyone for their attendance and the meeting was adjourned at 12:24.