

ABCORI Board of Ministries

Special Meeting

July 9, 2024

Present: George Barclay, Beth Berry, Joanne Brown, Bob Butzier, Darin Collins, Courtney Davis Olds, David Dolce, James Ellison, Jan Fletcher, Sue Guilmain, Eva Irby-Davis, Debra Lee, Cal Lord, Kathryn Palen, Sarah Reed Jay

The meeting was held at Greenville Baptist Church. Cal Lord called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Kathryn Palen opened in prayer.

The agenda for the meeting was the discussion of the property task force report and how to move forward with regard to Canonicus Camp and Conference Center.

Board members shared their thoughts and reflections on the task force report in light of ABCORI's finances, the insurance situation, the history of programs at Canonicus, and its current use.

Following a long discussion and the emergence of a consensus, Cal Lord invited the presentation of a motion.

Debra Lee moved that ABCORI begin the process of selling the Canonicus Camp and Conference Center property. Jan Fletcher seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Joanne Brown moved that the Executive Committee be tasked to take initial steps toward the sale process and to develop a process for engaging ABCORI churches in conversation around the board's decision. Sue Guilmain seconded. During discussion prior to a vote, several board members expressed a desire for the Executive Committee to investigate conservation options as part of their initial steps. The motion passed unanimously.

Sharing sessions are to be held prior to the board's next meeting. The next board meeting will be from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on September 14 at The Baptist Church in Warren.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. George Barclay closed in prayer.

Submitted by Debra Lee

Approved by the BOM September 14, 2024