

May 18, 2008
Special Congregational Meeting

74 Members signed in

Meeting opened at 12:19 PM

Question 1: Another short-term need (7 years) is to redo the sanctuary roof (\$60k was a quote). Suggestion: Bring back dinner with Pastor Randy.

Answer: Anticipate a major capital campaign in the next 2-3 years.

Dinners: People stopped attending.

Question 2: (Comment) Seen the earthquake in China, if we had solar we might be able to run refrigerators to help take care of people here and in the community.

Question 3: We need to understand a skeleton of what's expected for a capital campaign to have an idea of what's intended or envisioned. Haven't seen this since a past \$M capital campaign before dot com bust.

Question 4: Has anyone considered how the panels might look?

Answer: Hard to see. It's the flat portion near the parking lot.

Question 5: Any way for members to piggyback on this?

Answer: Absolutely. \$1000 per household if people do it with the same company.

Q: What is the cost per house?

A: If half your power: \$25-35k before any tax incentives or credits.

Question 6: If analysis is for 20 years, any warranty?

Answer: Miki not sure on the details. Dave Nyburg (works for GE Solar) stated it was standard to have a 20 year warranty except inverters are 10 years. Akeena is the name of the company whose bid we are pursuing.

Question 7: Any chance the mortgage rate could be less?

Answer: Yes, and we can refinance if it significantly lowers.

Question 8: Technology for solar keeps evolving. Is it possible to install a smaller project?

Answer: Already been scaled back from the prior proposal.

Question 9: (Comment) Getting it all done at once would be important because each of these items needs thoughtful structural installation. Better to consider and do it all at once.

Question 10: Any thought to improving the ventilation in the sanctuary?

Answer: Not as part of this proposal.

Question: Interested in a plan that includes a bus, a new Torvand Hall, and other various things that are needed or wanted. Like to see a plan that would give us an idea of how we'd be doing 10 years out. Is there a way we should do such a plan?

Answer: Planning team is working on something to present to the congregation in the fall. Commitment cards are important to help frame what would be feasible.

Call for Vote on proposal:

The congregation is voting to increase the loan on the church, up to \$220,000, to cover re-roofing the office, replacing and completing the HVAC system and adding solar panels.

A motion was made, seconded. Quorum affirmed. No further discussion. Vote in favor: Majority. Opposed: none?