



HISTORY Committee Formulation

Brief History of what led to the formulation and chartering of CBC's Building Committee:

A. Process Initiation:

Over the past few years, there has been much discussion among our leadership and by individual church members that the church ministries and services were approaching their limits within our existing space. However, a number of circumstances didn't facilitate and encourage a major step by the church leadership and family in addressing this. One major item was the need to more clearly establish our Ministry Division leadership staff. During this same period, it increasingly became clear to our leadership; ministry staffs and many church members, friends, and visitors; that the physical restraints and capacity of our current capital facilities negatively restrained and limited our effective ministry to both our existing church family and to the surrounding communities.

In late February 2007, the Elders and Pastors made facilities discussions a focus of their leadership retreat. Their prayers and discussion led them to conclude that the CBC vision and mission can't continue to be fully and effectually carried out and executed in our existing facilities. In many instances, our current facilities constrain, restrain and frame how we execute and carry out our ministries. They decided to encourage the church family to begin a more intentional process to address and understand the issues and their impact upon our ministry and service.

B. Building Committee Formulation and Approval:

The elders then authorized the Lay Leadership Search Committee (LLSC) in March 2007 to initiate the process of selecting and presenting a committee for church family affirmation and approval. The committee nominated was to be representative of our church family and its various ministries.

Over the next months, the LLSC established the desired nominee qualifications, received nominations from the church family and leadership, contacted the nominees and determined interest and availability, obtained nominee qualifications and experience, and conducted individual interviews. The LLSC continually spent time in prayer over the process and for wisdom and discernment in selecting those individuals who they spiritually felt led to select. After that preparation, the LLSC then prayerfully selected the individuals for nomination to the church family. Those nominated were provided to the church family for their information and consideration by posting their pictures and brief biographical sketches in the church lobby.

The church family affirmed and approved the committee at the June 6, 2007 congregational business meeting.

C. Purpose and Objectives:

The committee was to thoughtfully and purposefully explore the church family ministries and services and understand how they were being impacted by existing facilities.



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The journey (process) should encourage: openness, transparency, collaboration, inclusiveness and participation by leadership, staff and the congregation. All individual's thoughts, opinions, needs, and preferences should be sought and heard during the journey.

Clarify and understand what is needed, why it is needed, and how ministry and service are impacted now and in the future.

Maintain openness and communication throughout the journey that permits and allows for amendment and revision right up to such time as the report is presented and approved by the congregation.

Provide a focus that will unite, connect, and inspire the entire church family community so that it will pursue enhancing our ministry and service together; with each individual contributing by using their unique God given giftedness and natural talents towards achieving God's will for our church.

D. Building Committee Members:

Claudia Mabry
Christopher Bracewell
Mike Ozburn
Larry Wellman

Jim Wilson
Steve Townsend
Paul Hurdle
Bob Clontz, Chairperson