

The Grace Vision Board met on November 15, 2017 at the home of Johnna Hirt at 6:30 p.m. A wonderful meal and good fellowship was enjoyed. The board then moved on to discuss the business of the church.

Kate Morphew shared the November financials as well as preliminary budget planning for 2018. Vision Board Members provided feedback related to planned revenues and expenses for the coming year.

We spent much of the meeting discussing transition planning and plans for celebrating Pastor Mark's retirement and he and Jeannie's move to North Carolina. On their last weekend at Grace, November 17/18 there will be opportunities to thank them for their dedicated service to Grace over the past 20+ years. The marathon packing event at Feed My Starving Children will be a great celebration of giving back in honor of the Hellmann's. We also discussed plans for the weekend services.

The Vision Board is continuing to plan for hiring in an Interim Pastor to help us with the transition to a new Senior Pastor in the future. We have interviewed two candidates and are very close to selection one of the candidates and planning for their transition to Grace. There will be communication to the congregation as soon as the Interim Pastor is hired.

We closed the meeting with a time of prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Noren, Vision Board Secretary