

**Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference**  
**Board Meeting**  
*December 3, 2012*  
Via conference call, 7pm Pacific Standard Time

Members Present: Jeryl Hollinger, moderator; Harold Nussbaum, treasurer; Joseph Penner, Jerry Barkman, Isaac Hooley, Jack Swaim, Jennifer Delanty, moderator elect; Wanda Dorsing, secretary  
Staff Present: Katherine Jameson Pitts, Executive Conference Minister  
Absent: Eva Mendez, Jennifer Sottolano

Jeryl opened with prayer.

**1. Budget**                      **Harold Nussbaum & Katherine Jameson Pitts**

Revenue

- Harold reported that six congregations responded with their planned giving to PNMC by the December 1st deadline. He will contact the remaining congregations to request that they submit their numbers as soon as possible so budget planning can continue.
- Harold reviewed per member giving data from other conferences.

Expenses

- Katherine listed the main areas of expense as staff, travel, Northwest Mexico, and pastor spouse retreat, noting that there are not a lot of options to decrease expenses further.

Harold will gather historical data on budget vs. actual in the past five years.

In spite of not having a balanced budget, there is not a cash issue at this point due to the sale of the properties by several congregations.

The e-bulletin and Evangel both asked for increased giving. Jeryl is working on a letter to delegates from the June meeting to encourage giving which will go out later this week.

Harold anticipates having a budget to pass at the January board meeting.

**2. Northwest Mexico Liaison Ministry Committee**                      **Katherine Jameson Pitts**

- Covenant documents were previously sent to the board for review. No concerns were raised; all present affirmed using these documents as working documents.
- Katherine will meet with the Northwest Mexico team on December 13.

**3. Conference Communications Council**                      **Katherine Jameson Pitts**

- Katherine is arranging for participation via an electronic connection for Idaho participants to minimize travel costs and time away from congregations.
- Agenda planning is underway around the questions of sending delegates to Phoenix, how congregations use technology, and a variety of other topics based on the interests of the attendees.
- Registration material will go out this week.

**4. Katherine reported on her recent attendance at the conference ministers meeting in Arizona.**

*\*The underlined items are the "to do" list.*

Respectfully submitted,

Wanda Dorsing