RED DOOR CHURCH
APM Meeting 11:45 am
SUNDAY THE 29ND OCTOBER 2023

PC members: Jonathan Smith, John Hargrave Ann Burgess, James Truong, Graeme Miller, Sheba Jogi, Sisira Goonesekera

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Jonathan requested all people who have registered on the electoral roll for a quick confirmation.

Jono's address to the congregation.

Prayer - Ken

#### Panel:

Jonathan requested all people who have registered on the electoral roll for a quick confirmation. Jono announced about the policy and questions so I could table them for responses after our first PC Meeting.

Quorum confirmed and No Apologies.

Meeting Minutes: Received, moved by Jono as the Chairman and Congregation accepted

**Electoral Roll**: Received, moved and accepted by Congregation

Written report: Received, moved and accepted by Congregation

### About the written Report addressed by Jonathan-

Jono thanked all teams who have been participating in running and enabling church activities and James Truong who has been an active initiator of the Ministry Enablement team have been phenomenal and amazing which comprises Jo, Suzanne and Doug.

He also spoke about sacrificial giving and encouraged more in the year to come.

He also spoke about the importance of Child safe Ministry and how we at Red door have enabled that and activated it with utmost importance and care.

He addressed the importance of Why we are here and the info booklet to be taken and understood by the congregation.

Jono also thanked all the Prayers for his family and for the kindness and self awareness.

### **Finance Report from Graeme Miller**

Graeme briefed about the Finance report.

Budget is built on the vision of the community

He mentioned about the decline in GIVING this year.

# Report notes prepared by Graeme for in depth understanding:

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Jono requested the Finance report to be received and the Congregation accepted.

Jono requested if there are any questions.

# **Questions from Congregation**

<u>From</u>	<u>Question</u>	<u>Answers</u>	PC Responses
Steve Turok	Mission giving and Mercy Fund  Who is being given and breakdown of how much is being given?	Jonathan There are a team of people who make decisions about relief fund usage and this committee is the first responders and check if funds are available for use/release  Last year we agreed to offer 10% of income for Mission and Mercy Giving and our current commitment still remains and funds available for critical needs.  Church is institutionally retains funds in the relief fund and is available for Mercy and Mission and thanked the congregation for giving and sustaining this fund.  Graeme- On the 2022 report has a breakdown and he provided the breakdown (Will add details in the first PC Meeting) Noelene agreed and accepted	
Doug Carr	Congregation giving and 10% of giving	Jono said yes	
Noelene Linard	Would you consider making a brooch or pin of the Red Door symbol so we can wear them out in the community? It could be a fundraiser.		Jonathan has some reservations about producing Red Door branded merchandise, but is open to the possibility. Council will discuss the possibility further in early 2024.
David Wall	Can we have a Red Door Sign?		We have a signage project which is in the design phase. A signage company has been selected and consulted, and a quote has been provided. The goal is to have in place by early 2024, all things going to plan.
<u>Jo Turok</u>	With Reading Bees leaving, are we actively seeking to		We are open to new leasing opportunities. Enquiries are made through our website fairly regularly.

	replace them with another business?	Our resources are currently focussed on other projects, so we are not actively seeking a replacement at this stage.
Syd Sulte	Re the Mission & Mercy ministry, what is the difference between Mission and Mercy?	The two are related, but it's helpful to make a categorical distinction for our own purposes - particularly when it comes to budgeting. Mission is generally a sustained effort to build the Kingdom in a particular place, or with a particular people. Mercy is generally concerned with a particular need, which tends to be in the form of short-term aid or financial relief.
Nuala Goonesekera	Is church looking into Youth Ministry for the next year as kids ministry has been focused this year	Yes! We're working towards having a ministry to youth in place by mid-2024. In the meantime, we're working towards starting a youth bible study.
Jemima Justus	Any plans for Local Ministry such as Alpha planned	Yes! We plan to run Alpha (or a similar evangelistic course) in 2024.
Love Alabi	What kind of businesses we are considering to replace Reading bees to use our premises	We aren't wedded to the idea of replacing the Reading Bees lease. Our financial position isn't dependent on doing so. However, ideally any lease partnership would involve a local business that broadly aligns with our values.

## Suzanne thanked Brailey Hennessey for all her work at the Kids Ministry

Jono thanked all as part of meeting benediction and announced the new PC Member Council all remain as current year and Phil Ince joins as the newest member.

Noelene thanked on behalf of Ken Linard thanked all PC members and leadership and Jonathan especially.

Jonathan thanked the events team for preparing lunch.

Suzanne thanked Brauley for all her work at the Kids Ministry

Closure & Prayer - Pastor Jonathan Smith