

Living Water Church

Annual Meeting

Foundation Board Report

January 30, 2022

What is the Living Water Church Foundation?

It is a perpetual funding for Living Water Ministries—"A gift that keeps on

Giving...Forever". **How does the Foundation work?**

1. Donations can be money, property, stocks, bonds, etc. Are placed in one of two funds: the **Outreach Fund** and the **Designated Fund**.
2. Donations are invested in low-risk investments.
3. Proceeds from the investments are distributed on an annual basis to support Living Water Church ministries.
4. The Principle is held and invested. (An exception may be some Designated Funds.)
5. A Board, representing a cross section of Living Water members, manages the investments and the distribution of proceeds.
6. At-large board members are elected at the Living Water Church annual meeting on a rotating basis.
 - a. Members are Rachel Karow-Giddings and Don Struckmeyer –January 2019, Ken Betts and Gary Young-2020. Tim Bergman serves as a representative of the Elders and Kris Ganske is acting Chairman and represents the Trustees.

The Funds: Outreach Funds and Designated Funds

Outreach Funds: Proceeds can be distributed annually to Living Water Ministries. Funds distributed will be split 40/20/40. 40% for programs, projects or special needs of Living Water or the community; 20% for mission projects as recommended by the Living Water Missions Board; and 40% to support ministry needs as determined by the Foundation Board with approval of the Board of Trustees.

Designated Funds: These funds can be or are designated by the donor at the time of giving. The Foundation Board follows the request of the donor for the distribution of the funds (this can include the principal).

How to Contribute: Fill out a charitable gift form from the church office, the Pastor or ask a member of the Foundation Board for guidance.

2021 Meeting Updates:

Due to the COVID-19, the Foundation board did not meet in 2021 and as such lacked a quorum. Due to not having a quorum, no official actions were approved.

**LWC Endowment Fund
Foundation Statement Dated:
November 30, 2020**

Income

Donations 1,607.00

Dividend 2.90

Total Income \$ 1,609.90

Expenses

Total Expenses _

Net Income \$ 1,609.90

Beginning Saving Balance **\$ 4,177.27**

Net Income **1,609.90**

Ending Savings Account

Balance \$ 5,787.17

Old business covered:

Jewelry: There is jewelry in the safe that has been donated to Foundation: a single tanzanite stone and two diamond bracelets. An appraisal valued it at \$1800.

Members discussed waiting until after Covid-19 is done to have a silent auction around Valentine's day. We would advertise heavily in the Splash and perhaps the Sunday before display jewelry along with written appraisal. We would have another appraisal done closer to this event and make sure that we have a reserve minimum bid for auction.

Investment strategies: Current interest rates are very low.

Members discussed putting funds in a CD as we cannot use any of the funds until we reach \$75,000.

Promoting the Foundation:

Present at Annual meeting, put quarterly articles in Splash, do a ministry moment in the future and promote RMD (IRA distribution designated to charitable agencies that is non-taxable).

New business:

It was suggested that in the future someone other than the president of the trustee board be the chair of Foundation Board as this individual has many other commitments. A trustee should remain on the board but another individual would likely have more time to commit to promotion of the Foundation board. It was also suggested that we consider appointing positions on the board such as chairperson, financial person, secretary.

It was also suggested looking into the distribution of funds, i.e., change to allow small scholarships for members going into ministry. This may be a way to generate interest in the Foundation if others see what the Foundation can do.

It was further suggested a workshop for board members to develop proposed changes to the by laws. As of now distributions can only be made from interest and only after a minimum of \$75,000 is in the account. This would require a change in bylaws.

