



**ELCA Youth Ministry Network Board of Directors Meeting  
Sunday, April 17, 2016 through Tuesday, April 19, 2016**

Jeremy Myers, Sue Megrund, Tom Schwolert, Erik Ullestad, Regina Goodrich, Kinda Makini-Anderson, Becky Cole, Todd Buegler (Executive Director), Paul Amlin (Churchwide Staff)

**Sunday:**

**Opening Devotions:** Erik Ullestad

**Executive Director's Report**

Todd presented the report of the Executive Director

- Reviewed the Extravaganza Evaluation
- Finances for the fiscal year look as expected.
- Martins List is being well received. Many resources are being uploaded.

**Churchwide Discussion:** Paul Amlin

Paul led us in a discussion about Called Forward Together in Christ.

This initiative is an opportunity to explore and answer some big questions. The team is looking for reflection and feedback from individuals, churches, synods, boards, and all involved with the ELCA. More information can be found at [www.elca.org/future](http://www.elca.org/future).

The board adjourned for the evening

**Monday:**

The morning began with devotions led by Pete Erickson

**Strategic Plan**

Pete Erickson guided us through the initial development of a strategic goal

Kevin Strickland, Molly Beck Dean and Bishop Eaton stopped by.

The board adjourned for the evening

**Tuesday:**

The morning began with devotions led by Erik Ullestad

**Strategic Plan**

The board discussed the overall strategic goal we developed on Monday.

The board members will gather in the sub-teams over the summer to begin brainstorming sub-goals under each of the categories of Renewal, Formation (Educate) & Connections.

### **Practice Discipleship**

The board discussed the practice discipleship initiative. Todd presented some options for practice discipleship. There is one option which is more aligned with the discussed strategic objective. Some discussion on the specifics, which would be left to the project team.

Jeremy moved we approve the proposed Practice Discipleship 2.0 concept specific to coaches and content/structure, recognizing the leadership needs to be determined by the team handling the Practice Discipleship Initiative, taking into consideration the identified board concerns. Becky seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

### **Multi-Cultural Initiative Request for Funds**

Jeremy presented a request for funds for 2017, 2018 and 2019 to support the Multi-Cultural Initiative, which is held immediately before the Extravaganza. There is a leadership team in place to oversee this initiative and monitor the outcomes over the next three years. The leadership team wants to be intentional and make the experience more meaningful for the participants.

Tom moved we accept and support the Multi-Cultural Initiative presented to the board. Sue seconds. Discussion about the initiative and annual discussion related to this new initiative. Decision to leave motion and initiative as is. Motion passes unanimously.

### **Review of February Minutes**

Tom moved we accept the meeting minutes. Regina seconds. Minutes approved.

### **Strategic Goal**

The board revisited the strategic goal. We discussed accepting this as the living draft and meeting in sub-groups during the summer to brainstorm a list of sub-goals which will be discussed during the fall meeting.

Regina moved we accept this goal as the living draft. Becky seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

Stephen Bouman and Julie Sevig stopped by.

### **Future Meetings**

September 22-24, 2016 Location TBD

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Becky Cole