

Mission and Ministry Board

Summer Meeting

June 25-27, 2021

Elgin, Illinois

Agenda



Church of the Brethren

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN MISSION AND MINISTRY BOARD

VISION

The Mission and Ministry Board envisions the Church of the Brethren wholly engaged in the reconciliation of all people to God and to each other.

MISSION

The Mission and Ministry Board is called by the Church of the Brethren to extend the church's witness around the world. It leads out in God's mission, serving as a bridge between the local and the global and creating opportunities for service and partnership.

The Mission and Ministry Board supports congregations in their task to create joyful communities of faith that proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, cultivate discipleship, respond to human need, and make peace.

The Mission and Ministry Board cares for the whole fabric of the community, building up the Church of the Brethren as a distinctive part of the body of Christ, cherishing its unique heritage, and strengthening its witness.

CORE VALUES

Christ-likeness: Reflecting the love and heart of Jesus.

Servant leadership: Serving the church with both humility and boldness.

Discernment: Seeking the leading of the Holy Spirit through prayer, scripture, and the gathered community.

Community: Cultivating relationships and building up the body of Christ.

Stewardship: Caring for all God's gifts and the resources of the Church of the Brethren.

Simplicity: Living simply so that we have room in our lives for God and for others.

Hospitality: Following Jesus' example of respecting all people and inviting them into his fellowship.

Peacemaking: Acting as instruments of reconciliation and justice.

Church of the Brethren Mission and Ministry Board 2020-2021

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Board Committees and Assignments 2020-2021

Executive Committee Members

Chair:	Patrick Starkey (2021)
Chair-elect:	Carl Fike (2023)
Member:	Thomas Dowdy (2021)
Member:	Lois Grove (2021)
Member:	Colin Scott (2021)
Ex-Officio:	David Steele, General Secretary
Ex-Officio:	Paul Munday, Moderator

Audit and Investment Committee

Diane Mason, chair
John Hoffman
Marty Barlow

Board Development Committee

Carl Fike (chaired by MMB chair-elect)
Meghan Horne Mauldin
Christina Singh
Vacancy

Strategic Planning Committee

Paul Schrock, chair
Lauren Seganos Cohen
Thomas Dowdy
Lois Grove
Heather Gentry Hartwell
Roger Schrock

Sustainability Committee

Colin Scott, chair
Dava Hensley
Joel Peña

Governance Monitor – 2-year term

Dava Hensley (2022)
Colin Scott (2021)

Brethren Faith in Action Grant Oversight – 3-year term

Heather Gentry Hartwell (2023)

Mission and Ministries Planning Council – 2-year term

Christina Singh (2022)

Personnel Relations Committee – 2-year term

Wendy McFadden (Guiding Team representative)
Shamek Cardona (virtue of position)
Thomas Dowdy (2021)

Program Feasibility Committee – Appointee: 4-year term

Ed Woolf (2022)

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Meeting Schedule and Agenda

All times Central Time

Friday, June 25

12:00 noon	Lunch	Dining Room
2:00 p.m.	Executive Committee Closed Session	Room E
6:00 p.m.	Dinner	Dining Room

Saturday, June 26

8:15 and 8:30 a.m.	Shuttle departs for General Offices	
9:00 a.m.	Mission and Ministry Board Open Session	Room E
9:00 a.m.	Welcome and introductions	Patrick Starkey
9:05 a.m.	Devotions	Marty Barlow
9:20 a.m.	Consent agenda Approve meeting agenda Approve MMB minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• March 13-14, 2021, open session meeting• March 12-13, 2021, closed session meeting• March 18, 2021, EDF allocation action• June 14, 2021, closed session meeting	Patrick Starkey
9:25 a.m.	General Secretary's report	David Steele
9:40 a.m.	Executive Committee report	Patrick Starkey

9:50 a.m.	Financial update 2020 audit report <i>(Action: Receive report)</i> 2021 financial review Q&A	Ed Woolf Diane Mason Ed Woolf <i>Exhibits 1&2</i>
10:05 a.m.	Brethren Press Reimagining Team recommendation <i>(Action: Adoption)</i>	Patrick Starkey <i>Exhibit 3</i>
10:25 a.m.	Break	
10:45 a.m.	2022 Budget Parameter Q&A	Ed Woolf <i>Exhibit 4</i>
11:50 a.m.	Call of Executive Committee	Patrick Starkey
	Prayer for meal	Roger Schrock
12:00 noon	Lunch	Dining Room
1:30 p.m.	Mission and Ministry Board Open Session	Room E
	Opening prayer	Christina Singh
1:35 p.m.	Foreground Vision #4 report and Recommended Declaration of Priorities <i>(Action: Adoption)</i>	Patrick Starkey <i>Exhibit 5</i>
3:00 p.m.	Break	
3:20 p.m.	Communications Policy recommendation <i>(Action: Adoption)</i>	Patrick Starkey <i>Exhibit 6</i>
4:00 p.m.	Adjourn for the day	
	Executive Committee closed session <i>Immediately upon MMB meeting adjournment</i> <i>(Newly called committee)</i>	Room B
5:00 p.m.	Dinner	Dining Room
5:45 p.m.	Shuttle departs for Hampton Inn	

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Sunday, June 27

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| 8:15 and
8:30 a.m. | Shuttle departs for General Offices | |
| 9:00 a.m. | Mission and Ministry Board Open Session | Room E |
| | Worship | Heather Gentry Hartwell
and Colin Scott |
| 9:30 a.m. | Break | |
| 9:45 a.m. | Board Chair and Committee PD updates | Patrick Starkey |
| 10:00 a.m. | 2022 Budget Parameter
<i>(Action: Adoption)</i> | Patrick Starkey
<i>Exhibit 4</i> |
| 10:15 a.m. | Financial Policy update – Audit and Investment Committee
<i>(Action: Adoption)</i> | Diane Mason
<i>Exhibit 7</i> |
| 10:20 a.m. | Foreground Vision #5 report/recommendations | Lois Grove
and Patrick Starkey |
| 10:35 a.m. | Foreground Vision #6 report/recommendations | Thomas Dowdy
and Patrick Starkey |
| 10:50 a.m. | Strategic Planning Committee report/recommendations
Preamble Prayer for Strategic Plan
Mid-Ground Vision update
<i>(Action: Adoption)</i> | Paul Schrock and
Patrick Starkey
<i>Exhibit 8</i> |
| 11:05 a.m. | 2021 Mid-Ground Vision –
How your committee work is serving the Strategic Plan | Patrick Starkey |
| 11:50 a.m. | Brethren Historical Committee nomination | Patrick Starkey
<i>Exhibit 9</i> |

	Prayer for meal	Meghan Horne Mauldin
12 noon	Lunch	Dining Room
1:00 p.m.	Mission and Ministry Board Open Session	Room E
	Opening prayer	Paul Schrock
	Meeting evaluation	
1:10 p.m.	Governance Monitor report	Dava Hensley and Colin Scott
1:35 p.m.	Board member recognition and farewell Marty Barlow Thomas Dowdy Lois Grove Diane Mason Patrick Starkey	Carl Fike and David Steele
2:00 p.m.	<i>Adjournment</i>	