

Finance Support Ministry Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2026

Alan O'Donnell , Finance Co-Lead	Bob Milligan , Finance Co-Lead and Treasurer	Steve Torgrimson, Stewardship
Liz Murray , Checkbook Reconciler	Louise Gallagher , At-Large	Greg Wagner , Financial Manager
Miles Fredenburg , Financial Secretary	Mark Meyer , Head Counter	Wynn Richardson, Leadership Team Chair
Jen Anderson , Executive Pastor		

Items:

- **Call to order** – at 7:05 pm
- **Opening Prayer** – Pastor Jen led the committee in prayer.
- **Approval of Agenda** – Approved as presented.
- **Approval of Last Meeting Minutes** – Approved as presented.
- **Treasurer's Report – Bob Milligan**

Bob commented CUMC, with a large donation of \$100k, met the budget and was able to pay off the bank loan. Ended the year with approximate \$70k positive budget balance (revenue exceeding expenses). Some areas did not spend all their budgets. December donations were actually down when taking out the \$100k donation. Active/Compassion and Justice and Thinking/Discipleship were ones that stood out for not spending all their budget. There was discussion as to possible reasons those funds were not spent.
- **After Action Review of 2025 – Bob Milligan**

Bob led a discussion in asking the committee members as to what went well and what could have been better in 2025. The comments were as follows

What went well

 - Amazing people
 - Increase in Roseville leave/rent income
 - Much more involved in the budget process
 - Great diligence from Greg and the committee
 - Greg's efforts to accommodate legal personnel changes
 - Donation recording continues to be excellent
 - Overcoming the crisis of Whitney's leave
 - Stewardship came together despite Whitneys leave
 - Transition from ACS to REALM

What could have gone better

 - Communication with program/hub leads on budget and money available
 - Be more proactive about stewardship
 - More lead time on meeting packet

- **2026 Budget – Bob Milligan and Greg Wagner**
Discussion started with question of possibility of revising 2026 budget due to the 2025 budget overage. One thought expressed was to reduce the Faith Campaign revenue estimate by the amount of the 2025 overage when the overage is applied. After some discussion it was decided to reduce the Faith Campaign goal to the amount of deficit less the 2025 budget overage. By the reduction the Faith Campaign now becomes approximately \$55k.
- **Role of Treasurer**
Bob Milligan presented a draft write-up he had prepared pertaining to the role of the Treasurer and reporting to the Leadership Board when the Treasurer is not a member of the Leadership Board. After some discussion, Alan O'Donnell moved, Louise Gallagher seconded, that Bob's writeup with additions by Louise be presented for approval. Motion passed unanimously.
- **Project Ag Grad – Mark Meyer**
Mark discussed removing Project Ag Grad as a church sponsored project as in 2025 the item only had one donation made to it. Mark wished to take out to reduce the number of donation accounts that have little activity. Comment was made Project Ag Grad is a project of the Annual Conference and a member may contribute to it through the Annual Conference.
- **Financial Manager Report – Greg Wagner**
Greg thanked all those who helped with getting the first 2026 payroll completed on time.
- **Reconciler's Report – Liz Murray**
Liz had no report.
- **Counter's Report – Mark Meyer**
Mark had no report.
- **Next Meeting**
With upcoming all church meetings scheduled and people scheduled to be out of town in the next couple of months, the next meeting will likely be in April.
- **Closing prayer – Alan O'Donnell** led the committee in a final prayer.
- **Adjourn – at 7:58 pm.**