
Gary Morey informed the Board that Thrivent Financial works with "Congregational Advocates." Congregational Advocates are members of a church that acts as liaisons between Thrivent Financial and the church congregation to facilitate communication. Gary Morey and Ron Neugebauer will serve as AELC Congregational Advocates.

The Board discussed ways to use the church website to provide more detailed and timely information to the congregation. Gary Morey will contact Doug Dillner, the webmaster, to make certain that information concerning the Endowment Fund and giving opportunities is prominent and easily accessible. Maryhelen Coogle suggested amending the brochure that the Board had developed on the different types of "funds": endowment fund, building fund, memorial fund, etc. Maryhelen suggested that the brochure include language that would be more understandable to our young people.

The investment committee will also be placing information in the Luther Link each month. The schedule is as follows: Gary Morey (October), Tom Mullenix (November), Maryhelen Coogle (December) and Bob Brenneman (January).

Additional fund-raising ideas were discussed. Maryhelen Coogle suggested that the Board encourage all members of the congregation to use their "birthday envelop" to dedicate monies to the Endowment Fund. One possibility is for each member to include \$1 corresponding to their age. Younger children might give less. The Board also asked that the Financial Secretary be contacted to determine whether an Endowment Fund envelope could be included in the next box of envelopes that go out to the congregation.

The next meeting of the Endowment Board was scheduled for November 1st at 5:00. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00p.m.