WDC Stewardship Committee Annual Report 2023

Since the last Conference Assembly, the Stewardship Commission has met four times, each time by zoom as our members are spread across the Conference.

In the last year, we've been a part of the dynamic changes that are occurring within Western District Conference, and are excited to see what opportunities the future might hold. We worked on the following:

- 1. A member of Stewardship Commission sat on the 2500 Place Task Force, and provided input on the potential sale of the building. The same commission member later served on the 2500 Place Sale Negotiation Task Force.
- 2. Developing strategies to increase church giving. This included discussion about the benefits of a dedicated staff person for fundraising in WDC.
- 3. Continued to provide a commission member to serve on the Hope Fund Task Force. With the lessening of pandemic effects, the Task Force will expire in 2024 unless renewed.
- 4. Continued discussion of sustainability and budgeting within WDC.
- 5. Managing, with the leadership of Business Manager Beth Yoder, the budgets and income of Western District. Additionally, a member of Stewardship is now serving on the search committee for Beth's replacement. We wish her the best as she and her husband begin a new endeavor.
- 6. General discussion of grants and reporting

The Stewardship Commission is grateful for the work of Western District Conference, and encourages all members to contribute, whether through the giving of time, money, or prayer. We look forward to continuing to manage the resources of WDC in the 2023-2024 term.

Members of the Stewardship Commission are Matt Lehman Wiens, Chair, Sarah Balzer, Dick Koontz, Pauline Buller, Cleo Koop, Jeanette Stucky, Beth Yoder & Heidi Reiger Kreider as WDC staff liaisons.

- Matt Lehman Wiens, chair