

United Church of Christ Congregational – Wallace
Executive Board Meeting
November 12, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Ben Crosby at 4:15 p.m. Gail Carlson, Ben Crosby, Katie Bauer, Rick Ehrsam, and Alice Ling were present.

Alice Ling led an opening prayer.

The agenda was approved, and the minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report: The Treasurer's report was received. We recently paid the quarterly insurance payment. Equity continues to slip.

- a) Ben shared a questionnaire that he submitted to the insurance board.
- b) The fire extinguishers invoice was received for around \$300. It was more than anticipated since we had let them lapse.

Old Business:

1. The sign has been removed. We will dispose of it at the transfer station.
2. Door hinges have been replaced.
3. Ben brought samples and the board chose flooring for the bathroom. Ben will purchase boxes and donate the 2 that he has at home.
4. Hearing assist is still in progress.
5. Rick is willing to tackle renting a lift to demo the chimney.
6. Church safety plan—continued conversation regarding locking doors at the beginning of worship.
7. Stewardship campaign—we have received a few pledge cards.
8. Budget development—the board agreed on a proposal to share on Sunday. The proposal will require us to deplete our savings unless we have an increase in our proposed income. Ben will prepare a handout with details about the grant and budget.
9. Budget meeting November 16th after worship.
10. Annual meeting January 25th.

New Business:

1. Bylaws—Ben brought a proposal for the board to consider regarding a change to our definition of an active member. We will continue to discuss this matter.
2. The board agreed that for December we will encourage gifts to the Wallace Food Bank. Throughout advent and at Christmas Eve our offering will be food or a financial donation.
3. The board agreed to allow the use of the building for the Winter Walk on December 19th.
4. The board agreed to advertise our Christmas Eve service with the Shoshone News Press.

Calendar:

Budget meeting November 16th

November: Church World Service Blanket campaign

December 7th—Rev. Andy CastroLang

Next Executive Board meeting: December 14th

Annual meeting: January 25th

Alice Ling led a closing prayer.
The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Bauer, Clerk