

Grace Crossing Church Lead Team Meeting

Date: 07.30.2025

Time: 6:00pm

Location: Grace Crossing

Lead Team Members Present: Grady Pauls, Alan Koller, Ryan Durst, Cody Peavy, Blaine Stucky, Jason Rains

Lead Team Members Not Present:

Others in Attendance: Gage Weller

1.) Action: Call to Order

Ryan Durst called the meeting to order at 6:10pm

2.) Action: Adopt the Agenda

Blaine Stucky made a motion to adopt the agenda. Ryan Durst seconded the motion.

Motion passed 6-0

3.) Action: Approve Minutes from 06.18.2025 Meeting

Jason Rains made a motion to approve the minutes from the 06.18.2025 Lead Team Meeting. Blaine Stucky seconded the motion.

Motion passed 6-0

4.) Financial Report

No reports were available for this meeting. Expenses for the playground will be put under line item 03-607 Building Maintenance, Upkeep & Storage Unit. Next year, the budget needs to be updated to allow for Capital Expenses like this playground project.

5.) Pastor Report

In a good place. Still working with my counselor on overcoming the lingering demons in my head. One day at a time. But the Ephesians series went well. Baptism was great. The meal after was great. Attendance has been steady. No major concerns. .

6.) Youth Pastor Report

Youth group did not meet over the summer.

Color War last week was great! This was in partnership with Newton, Park City, Hillsboro churches.

Gage is starting to plan for next summer's camp. Plans look to be the same as this year. Camp went really well this year.

Camp next year is in Lebanon, Tennessee. Deposits are due earlier for next year so Gage is getting on it earlier.

Youth group officially started back up last Sunday and the focus will be on Characters of the Bible and what their testimonies were. That will then lead into the youth working on their testimony.

Club 87 will focus on studying Matthew moving forward.

7.) Staff Reports

Grace Kids-

July was a struggle with volunteers being gone and number of kids showing up was hard to predict. Hoping this fall will bring consistency with volunteers.

Amy and Mel met Tuesday morning to have a 4th quarter strategy session for scheduling gracekids. There's a couple people we need to onboard and really determine if we can count on them to show up when they're scheduled otherwise classrooms will be closed. The couple people we gained over the last push for volunteers have either been inconsistent or aren't ready to lead and now losing a whole family puts us short on two classroom leaders (Nursery and 56).

We've rearranged teachers with summer softball/baseball families coming back so that takes some of the pressure off Amy and I but with both of us working full time during the week it's not realistic for both of us to teach/fill in every Sunday as we have been the majority of the last year. It's not just July/summer. I need 3 people on reserve every Sunday to check in and be ready to be plugged in if someone doesn't show up.

Guest Services-

Wins- I think implementing the New Guest Social has been a great addition to our church and guests. The first one seemed to be a success and there are several signed up for this next one!

Struggles - People not able to serve months out of the year and it being difficult finding others to fill in; people not giving a heads up that they cannot serve until Friday or Saturday before

their Sunday to serve (for this, I could, and probably will, begin sending a reminder text earlier in the week... although everyone is aware of the Sunday they have signed up for.

Updates - I have accepted a practicum position with DCCCA in Wichita to complete my Master's in December of this year. With that, it might be a good idea to start taking note of who might be a good fit for the Guest Services position next. There is not a rush - I don't plan on giving up this position any time soon, but I think it is best to prepare for the future. I want what is best for our church, so as much as I want to remain Guest Services Director, I need to make sure I am not neglecting the time and energy it deserves.

Grace Cares - No report

Finance Team - No report

Music -

For the lead team report, it seems like we're in a pretty good place. On the way to getting the Pro Presenter team completely revamped and healthy. The couple new singers are kinda settled in. I just need a couple weeks to really get back in my groove, but I'm feeling good about it. Personally, trying to figure out this new normal is for me right now.... Apparently I need to be a little more careful with what I'm doing and the details of my day so that I don't end up in the position I was in last night. PET scan on Thursday will tell a lot about what next steps are as far as cancer treatment. I'll have at least one meeting next week with the oncologist, then probably another with the KU doctors

8.) Care Portal

Jason met w/ Joni last week on this. The goal will be for this to be launched in September. Between now and when we launch, the goal is to grow the teams that will be associated with this program.

9.) Rent/Utility Assistance Policy

Jason is working to set a meeting with Rick Krehbiel to figure out how we can partner with the community foundation in Moundridge to help meet needs. We are also looking at other organizations that help the vetting process and protect us.

10.) Pine Village - Senior Center

We talked about ways to get plugged into the seniors in the community. Bible studies, youth going over and serving, etc...

11.) Playground Update

Rain has been the hold up as the area continues to fill up with water. Wray Roofing was out last week to get downspouts put on to help the drainage problem. We are going to have a work day on Saturday, August 23rd starting at 7:00am. We will have to have at least one more work day prior to getting the playground up and going.

12.) Life Groups / Connection Groups

We continued brainstorming about being intentional and help guide small groups. Gage will start working on this as a launching pad to help grow our small groups.

13.) Baptism Follow Up

We discussed what our plan is for those that got baptised and how we follow up with them or come alongside them as they have made the decision to be baptised. Jason has a packet, a certificate, a picture, and a card that each person gets.

14.) Executive Session - Personnel

Ryan Durst made a motion to enter Executive Session at 8:10 for 20 minutes to discuss personnel. Alan Koller seconded the motion.

Executive Session ended at 8:30pm

15.) Action Items:

None

16.) Future Agenda Items:

2026 Lead Team

Missions Giving

Continue Small Group Discussion

17.) Next Meeting Date:

August 28, 2025- 6:00pm - Grace Crossing Church

18.) Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 8:38pm by Ryan Durst

Minutes taken by Grady Pauls, Secretary.