

2018 Planning Committee Report

The planning committee has a complete set of construction drawings, site plans and the build specifications for phase 2A. This phase will be a two story structure, 40 feet wide, centered on the current main entrance double doors. The main section will extend 52 feet into the parking lot with an upper level overhang extending an additional 11 feet. Phase 2A will permit moving all the children to the new building. It will also enable the body to have Saturday night fellowship and refreshments in the new building.

Phase 2 was split up into 3 phases in 2012 to allow us to build smaller sections as God provided the money. Phase 2B is currently planned to be built on the left side to phase 2A, as you look at the front of the building, and will include large restrooms, an office and three additional classrooms. Phase 2C would be on the right side of phase 2A and currently would be a large dining hall with a kitchen on the first floor and classrooms on the second floor.

Mark Austin, Jeff Green and Steve Masalin met in January with John Carlin, Jim Elia and Tim Foley from Carlin Construction to explore possibilities of building Phase 2A as soon as possible. Carlin's Chief Estimator, Tim Foley, would provide a rough cost estimate and Carlin's Owner, John Carlin, would talk to our architect Dave Atkinson about some issues with the plans. It was also mentioned at this meeting that our five year zoning approval had expired. The church would have to get reapproved with the North Stonington Zoning Commission and this would be a critical step in determining what would need to be completed for approval.

The planning committee met again with Carlin Construction in March to review their findings. Two rough cost estimates were developed by Tim Foley. The first was for the completion of the entire Phase 2A and the other was for the completion of the first floor of Phase 2A they were \$1,173,750 and \$981,802 respectively. These amounts did not include some additional costs that we might incur due to the North Stonington Zoning Commission requirements but they were already much more than those on the planning committee had anticipated.

The planning committee met again in April to discuss the cost of Phase 2A and some input from the congregation about modifying the plans to reduce cost. The planning committee discussed the

changes but none would reduce the cost enough to build what we need with the money we have on hand. The planning committee determined that when more money is saved we can revisit these changes and present them. The Building Fund is growing at a much greater rate than inflation and although the money we save now might not be worth as much when we spend it in the future, that is for God to determine.

The planning committee appreciates the input of those that have taken the time to help us during the planning process. Continue to pray for the funding and timing of building phase 2A. If you have a comment or concern about the plans for phase 2, please talk to an Elder or a committee member to have it addressed. Current members are: Mark Austin, Larry Chappell, Skip Johnson, Steve Masalin, and Larry Williamson. Andrew (Andy) Krajec resigned from the committee in September.

*Respectfully submitted
by the Planning Committee*