

Stewardship Ministry

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The Stewardship Ministry Team met monthly through conference calls and in-person meetings.

Much of the energy of Stewardship Ministry Team was spent evaluating the Conference financial position and verifying that spending remains within compliance of the 2015 ACA directive. Year-end giving request letters were sent out, but with limited response.

Funds were approved to continue the 0.5 FTE Year of Covenant work throughout the current year with Cliff Brubaker, upon George O'Reilly's resignation.

There were drastic spending cuts to the current year budget and the spending remained in line with budget spending. Receipts however, did not match the reduced projected receipts. Additional spending cuts were recommended to Leadership Team, and they will take effect at the beginning of the 2017-2018 fiscal year; specifically the Conference will discontinue the printing of *Ohio Mennonite Evangel* and instead distribute it electronically to Conference churches.

Stewardship Ministry continues to actively review avenues of cost reduction and revenue growth for the Conference.

Melanie Miller, chair