

Nauvoo Operations Group Meeting January 13, 2026

Those in attendance: Carolyn Baker, Deb Batey, Brad Bengé, Tracey Chamness, Dawn Durgin, Evelyn Dustin, Doug Howell, Robin Linkhart, Lynn Poplett, Denise White

Deb opened the meeting in prayer.

Elections: Dawn made a motion to keep the same officers we have now. Tracey seconded it. Motion passed.

Deb Batey – President

Carolyn Baker – Secretary

Brad Bengé – Treasurer

There was one correction made to last month's minutes.

Dawn made a motion to approve the minutes and Brad seconded it. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Operating fund - \$33,411.73

Savings - \$68,810.54

Stock Market - \$15,763.54

Brad said as of now, our January and February bills are covered without having to take any out of savings. Brad would like to see us be more financially "comfortable" and eventually transfer \$50,000 back into the stock market.

Deb mentioned we should get a solar rebate once a year for several years.

Iowa Treasure Hunt – The estate of Janet Stotlander has given us \$7000. Dawn said we finally got an answer and hopefully we will receive it soon. Brad will put this in the operating fund.

Lynn asked about the AIP account in World Church for Camp Nauvoo. Brad said he has not received anything. Denise said she would look into this for us.

Update on Pekin – When the church is sold, then Camp Nauvoo will get a donation from them. Pekin has sent \$10,000 to CVG.

Denise talked about switching accounting programs, possibly to Quick Books. Shelby has a lot of coding and is very detailed. Brad said we need something as simple as possible. People should be able to look at it and understand it. Overloading happens. He said we do too much repeating. Kent told Brad money was set aside to buy Quick Books. Denise will get back to us soon.

Lor Klockau has told Brad he could come to her office and train on Quick Books from her employee that is very efficient at it.

Two retreats coming up:

The Followers are sponsoring a retreat Saturday February 14th 8:00 am to Sunday morning at Camp Nauvoo.

Family retreat Saturday February 21st at 1:30 to Sunday February 22nd at 3:00. The theme is "Love the Lord With All Your Heart"

Both retreats offer fun, games, food, and lots of fellowship.

Dawn told us that there are 15 bookings so far, large groups and family reunions. She said there are two bookings already for 2027. The summer looks busy, as usual.

Denise said the AIP Pool A – Camp Nauvoo Cornerstone Fund as of 11-30-2025 is \$3,088.51.

Brad talked about the incident and behavior reports that him and Beth and Julie and Carolyn have worked on. By our next meeting, he will have them ready for us to proof read and revise, if needed.

Training for fire and use of fire extinguishers was mentioned. It was suggested we have a weekend where we can meet with the fire department. We do have exit plans.

Other business:

Brad would still like to see a spiritual service or retreat. Starting in March, we will have a service on Sundays presented by the congregations in the mission. This is also for the RV'ers and maybe the community could be invited. We could possibly have a barbeque or something sponsored by the Community of Christ.

We need to look at the spiritual side of doing things.

Brad mentioned a song we should listen to – “Jesus and My Coffee”

Brad will reach out to the congregations.

Dawn will call the fire department to see when we could do a training for escape routes, helping the disabled get out in a fire and fire extinguishers.

Dawn said the credit card sites now have a 3% credit card fee attached.

There is \$600 bill for WIX. Brad will contact Robert. WIX is the booking site for the lodge and cabins. Square and Camp Spot are for RV sites and Tiny House bookings. WIX needs to be put into the camp grounds name.

Dawn made a motion to adjourn. Brade seconded it.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 pm

Our next meeting is February 10th, 2026 at 7:00 pm via zoom.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carolyn Baker, Secretary