

## **FFUMC Church Council Meeting Minutes 06/21/2016**

### Attendees:

Barb Collins, Ron Collins, Tom Derr, Doug Hulme, Paige Morgan, John Morris, Anita Oberdecker, Lilly Rayson, Bruce Warnick.

Meeting called to order by Chair Lilly Rayson.

### Devotion and Prayer:

Lilly opened the meeting with prayer.

### Approval of 05-17-2016 minutes:

Motion to accept the minutes as modified was made by Doug Hulme, seconded by John Morris, and approved by voice vote.

### Team/Committee Updates

#### **Trustees**

See attachment 1 for their report.

#### **UMW**

Coats and School Kits will be given out early this year at the July 30 Mobile Pantry. 350 school kits are needed. Central will provide 100. A table with instructions on filling the kits will be in MainStreet beginning Sunday July 10 with the deadline for returning the kits Sunday July 24. Anita is working with Wesley House to set the date for the annual Senior's luncheon.

#### **Staff Parish**

Don Thomas, our new pastor, lives in the Cedar Bluff area and will not be changing his residence. As a result his relocation expense to date is \$18 for packing boxes. Staff Parish requested that Finance consider establishing a reserve account for future relocation expenses. His first preaching Sunday will be July 3. Low attendance is expected because of the holiday and the Reese wedding out-of-state. SPRC has met with Don and is excited to have him here. "He is very personable." His first question was a request for a list of shut-ins and others that needed personal contact right away. Don's wife Anna is a Choir Director at another church. On Sunday June 26 District Superintendent Dr. Adam McKee will preach and lead worship.

#### **Children's Ministry**

VBS had 75 children and 74 volunteers during the week, June 12-16. They raised \$785.62 for Wesley's Attic. And they had one Special Needs child participate. The cave, a major attraction for the kids, was shut down early on Thursday. Apparently someone tracked-in animal excrement. Planning for next year is beginning. Subject to change, the theme centers on Paul and his preaching to the underground church.

Trinity Preschool is set to open on August 22. Enrollment is not yet at capacity, but above previous enrollment at our Mother's Day out program, take off. Fire Marshall final approval and DHS licensing is pending room set-up in July and several minor required changes (removing door-stops etc.). Painting and the addition of more mulch to the playground is also scheduled for July.

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**Finance**

Contributions in May totaled \$43,687. The month ended with a surplus of \$788. Capital Campaign contributions in May totaled \$5345. Year-to-date we have spent \$20,819 more than our contributions, typical for us this time of year. Working with Jen Braun the committee is finalizing a new report for the Church Council that is taken directly from ACS and will provide a monthly assessment of finances for the month and to date along with other important detail information. The new report will be used at our August meeting.

The Council will not meet in July. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, August 16 at 7:00pm. Please have agenda items to Lilly by August 12.

**Joys and Concerns**

Please keep our youth and their adult leaders in our prayers during their Mission Trip. Prayers for Annette Reeves and Rich Bartosik and Spencer Davis who each need our continued prayers. Shawnee Carlton, a friend of Paige Morgan is scheduled to have a baby any day. Family is with her now and her husband will be deployed overseas in early July. Pray for a healthy and happy new baby while family and dad are present and available to help. Also special prayers for all on our Prayer List.

Doug Hulme closed the meeting with prayer.

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Attachment 1 Trustee's Report

**Trustees Report to Church Council**  
**June 2016**

1. Recent discussions with the Myers Brothers indicate that they are on track with their due diligence on our property sale and negotiations with the grocer. They estimate the closing date on the sale will be sometime late September or October which is about where we had put the closing in our financial calculations.
2. Building upkeep continues. The worship center was recently re-lamped and the projector bulbs were replaced. Rebuilding the emergency lights on the first floor Ed building is ongoing. Plans are coming together to repair the asphalt at the dumpster pad.
3. The Trustees have decided to purchase and install a security camera system ourselves. This will save a considerable amount of money. The reason for the decision to install exterior cameras is due to the reported activity in our parking lot and around the building late at night.
4. In light of the recent, and what appears to be increasing numbers of, terror attacks I will be pushing the Emergency Plan and Security Procedure that we have developed over the past year and are near completion. They were both sent out for comment to the Trustees and to Church Council last year with no comments received from church council. If someone would like to review the procedures just let me know and I will email them a copy of both. They will both be approved by Church Council.

Steve Krupski