



Administrative Council Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2010

8:00pm to 9:00pm -- In the Parlor

- **Welcome / Call to Order**

- Call to Order -- The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by Chairperson Janie Lewis.
- The Prayer Team was present and opened with prayer in small groups.
- Attendance Sheet Signature -- Those present signed the attendance sheet which will be attached to the approved minutes submitted for file.

- **Approval of Minutes**

- Minutes from January 12, 2010 -- Upon a motion by Steve Klinger, with a 2nd by Laura Gutzwiller, minutes were reviewed and approved as presented.

- **Reports**

- Membership – Dana Forester
 - Handout – Worship Attendance – Super Bowl Sunday attendance was good. Rev. Dennis noted that we are the only Church in the District that is not counting children. We are now changing that procedure. Important to note for potential future development purposes – particularly in regard to the need for sanctuary space.
- Treasurer – Bill Yeager
 - Four handouts:
 - \$5,000 cash positive year-end 2009 (Same handout as previous meeting)
 - Actual Year-end – Stopped 2% previously sending to Conference for apportionment. This year not required. Designated Pathways grant fund made first transfer to preschool. Reduced mortgage payment to its minimum.
 - January Financials – Income slightly over expenses due to five Sunday month. Paying apportionments on time at 10%. Also paying District at 1.6%. Last year flat amount per month is almost double for January.
 - Income for first two months higher than last year. Income slightly higher. Basically “status quo”
 - Coffee hour slightly reduced.
 - Comer Steinway piano fund now receiving significant activity. In the past has paid for piano tuning and maintenance. Gwen Comer’s designated donations to this fund upon her mother’s death.
- Finance – Jeff Quyle – Not present.
 - Bill Yeager noted that on the first Sunday in March members used credit or debit cards for one-third of income. This is the first time this has occurred.
- Trustees – Gary Potter
 - Still in need of co-trustee and a secretary.
 - Next two months concrete work for drainage and trash aprons.
 - Still considering a sale for older assets. Looking for a group to lead the sale. Trustees will provide assets. Need to eliminate “clutter” to make room for additional requests for storage. Would like to start clean-out within the next 30 days.
 - New copy machine installed.

- Courtyard will not be started until other project in progress are complete.
- Wills & Memorials – John Ehrhart not present.
 - Note: Reverend Dennis noted investment policy very near completion.
- Communications – Lisa Jay not present. Report made by Tammy Payton
 - Note: Advertising plan for Easter complete. Cantata will be advertised in local papers as well as Holy Week activities.
 - Reviewing website – trying to determine if it belongs with communications or technology. Working to move it to a new location. New site by May 1.
 - Want to discuss with Trustees permanent fixtures out front. Some banners could still be used.
 - Digital sign still being considered. Want to work with a group to finance. Location near Pioneer Park gives great visibility this would be a nice way to advertise events in our Church.
 - Considering Facebook and Twitter.
 - URL will be changed to Mooresville FUMC.org.
- Technology – Rob Probus
 - Two meetings have gone well.
 - Have defined what Technology Committee is responsible for.
 - Definition: Resources that facilitate knowledge, information, and sharing the message.
 - Also working to identify technology needs – short and long-term.
- Pastor Parish – Laura Gutzwiller
 - Member assigned to each staff.
 - Have done some visioning “if money were not an issue.”
- Adult Education – Tammy Payton
 - Leadership celebration April 28, Bill Kelley coming to speak. Celebration for adult education leaders and Sunday School. Anyone who helps disciple our people. meal and presentation. Different approach to thanking adult leadership.
- Children’s Education – Lydia Rychtarczyk
 - Preschool staff discussed booth at Old Settlers. Will likely proceed with this concept.
 - Funderland sponsored by Morgan County Pathway to Learning. Preschool will have brochures at this event.
 - Have started enrollment for the fall.
 - Book Fair week prior to spring break. Will have book fair during Easter Bunny breakfast.
 - Collected \$107 for Haiti.
 - Communion will go back to beginning of 9:45 service.
 - VBS sign-up for adult volunteers will go up in April. Registration will start in May.
- UMYF – Deanne Sease
 - 30-Hour Famine raised money for Invisible Children ministry.
 - Finishing study of Ruth.
 - March 28 – Seder meal for the whole Church.
 - Spring break – Work day at Jackson Center, one day on auto care/cooking lessons.
 - Prayer request – Difficulty finding destination for summer mission trip. Please pray for guidance.
- Missions – Claire Farrand – Pam Taber reporting
 - Missions Fair May 23 between services - Progressive breakfast to visit booths.
 - Focusing on summer opportunities.
- Evangelism/Outreach – Steve Klinger
 - Still have Monday LRE Group combination of door knocking and follow-up with visitors and visits to shut-ins and hospital visits. Daytime LRE doing shut-in and hospital visits.

- Grief ministry working with Trustees on converting old computer room to office and library for material on grief. Sponsoring Jane Hepner on Wednesday, May 12 – Former IU Coach Hepner wife.
- Worship Committee – Erin Probus
 - Things going well. Super Bowl Sunday big hit/great attendance.
 - Easter/Mother’s Day and Race Day events services coming up.
 - Race Day inviting people to participate in Pit Crew to help plan.
- Lay Leadership – Dennis Payton
 - Nearing completion with vision committee. Mission to interpret Church’s past/present/and future dreams (with no consideration of \$\$\$’s)
 - Special weekends – Dr. Steven Seamans – Nov. 6 & 7 – Spiritual Warfare Weekend.
 - Exploring possibility of bringing Miss America 2003 here. Has experienced bullying as a child – is now telling story of commitment to Christ and dealing with the issue of bullying. Very current topic.
 - January PEM Celebration event – Awesome event for those who attended.
 - Writes for Sonburst each month to continue to challenge congregation to become involved and witness.
- Health & Welfare – Cheryl Howard
 - Not present.
- Prayer Committee – Bonnie Beebe
 - Present earlier to open meeting.
- Associate Pastor – Kurt Freeman
 - Working on best way to do communion with 9:45 worship.
 - Pray for missions – several cannot provide opportunities because of lack of insurance.
 - Dennis and Kurt splitting sermon – good feedback on this procedure.
 - Suggest promoting bullying presentation as a community event.
- Pastor – Dennis Payton
 - New membership class – 11 people – baptized one adult.
 - 2nd Service – young man requested to accept Christ – two most exciting events of 2010.
- Lay Member to Annual Conf – Mike Patterson
 - Not present.
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 - Not present.
- United Methodist Women – Mary Craig
 - Not present.
- United Methodist Men – John Crawford
 - Not present.
- Family Ministries – Kim Webster
 - Mom’s Connection has been resurrected.
 - Considering activities for families – i.e. movie or game night

● **Unfinished Business**

None.

● **Other New Business**

None.

● **Adjournment**

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm by Chairperson Janie Lewis and dismissed by the Apostle’s Creed.
- Next meeting : Tuesday, May 11 @ 8:00pm in the Parlor.