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Administrative Council Meeting Minutes  
August 14, 2012

- **Welcome/Call to Order**  
Chairperson Dale Wilson called the meeting to order.  
Prior to the meeting the prayer team led the Council in prayer  
The attendance sheet was passed around to be signed by those present.
- **Approval of Minutes**  
The minutes of the June 12, 2012 meeting were not read since everyone received a copy prior to the meeting. The minutes were approved with no corrections.
- **Ministry Perspective**  
  
Rev. Dennis shared his perspective that it is a new and exciting time to be a part of the First United Methodist Church.  
  
Assistant Pastor Ben shared that our church is good at reaching out to those in need. There was a leadership meeting recently regarding the third worship service. During that meeting several people agreed to help reach the vision of what that service is about. Pastor Ben is also excited about the start of small groups again in September.  
  
Lay Leader Steve Klinger stated that his goal while he has been the committee chairperson was to encourage more people to share their witness.
- **Administrative Reports**  
  
Trustees – Dave Stinson reported that a donation was made for a storage shed to be used for shelter items. Negotiations are still ongoing with the insurance company regarding a new roof.  
  
Staff Parish Relations – Sue Klinger reported that everything is going well with the new staff.  
  
Lay Leadership Committee – Rev. Dennis reported the committee is ahead of schedule to fill positions for 2013. The committee meets each month and prays over names of potential committee candidates.

Finance Committee – Jeff Quyle reported that due to three events this summer, our general fund balance is at its healthiest level in three years. The events were: 1) the conference granted forgiveness of a portion of our tithes this year to show support for the new third service format; 2) the preschool’s generous donation of \$13,000 and 3) an anonymous donor who contributed \$10,000 to the general fund as well as making donations to several ministries. The committee has also been discussing the budget process for next year, using true revenue numbers plus 5%. Also discussed was the fact that interest rates are extremely low on investments at this time. Several CD’s are maturing and after consulting with some financial advisers the committee suggests that the best rate of return would be to pay off the balance of the mortgage and make equivalent mortgage payments to Wills and Memorials over three years. A motion was made, seconded and passed to set \$635,458 as the proposed budget for 2013.

Treasurer’s Report – Bill Yeager reported that the balance at the end of end of July increased by \$24,127.65 through increased giving and cost cutting measures; all accounts are paid current. A motion was made to authorize the following three people (financial institutions generally require at least two signatures for such transactions) to be signers on bank resolutions that would create deposit accounts or to redeem deposit accounts on behalf of First United Methodist Church:

Jeff Quyle, Chairperson, Finance Committee  
Jean Ash, Financial Secretary, Finance Committee  
Bill Yeager, Church Treasurer, Finance Committee

The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Wills & Memorials – No report

Communications Committee – Laura Gutzwiller reported that the Henderson Team will create the next contact directory. There is some discussion regarding the need for a new pictorial directory. Plans are underway to relocate signs that direct people to our church. Tammy Payton reported that since the last council meeting there were 1,115 people who visited the church’s website. The communication team is reaching many more people through social media.

Technology Committee – Signe Nicholson reported that the discussion at their recent meeting was how to be more efficient with the technology and how to back up the information that is on the computers. Signe wants to remind committees to think how the Technology Committee can help them with their missions. Also the capability to make on-line donations is something that needs to be explored.

Membership/Attendance Committee – The most recent report shows that average attendance since the first of the year for all three worship services is 415.

- **Ministry and Missions Reports**

Worship Committee – Jeff Lawson reported that his committee is making plans for special recognition of Grandparent’s Day on September 9<sup>th</sup>. November 11<sup>th</sup> plans are being made for Ken Johnson, Chaplin for the Indianapolis Colts, to speak. The committee is discussing the idea of making banners for the sanctuary that would contain key scripture verses to enhance our message.

Prayer Committee – Sue Klinger reported that the committee continues to meet on Tuesdays to pray for the people on the prayer list.

Missions Committee – Pam Tabor and Clair Farrand reported that there will be a Missions Fair on September 23<sup>rd</sup> in the fellowship hall to publicize mission opportunities in our church. They are asking the congregation to support the Church In Mission’s major fund-raiser on October 6<sup>th</sup>. The fund-raiser will be a dinner and auction. The summer lunch program was very successful. August 1<sup>st</sup> was the last day lunches were distributed. The same day socks and hygiene kits were also distributed.

Children’s Education & Preschool – Lydia Rychtarczyk reported that promotion Sunday went well in spite of the fact that there was no electrical power that morning. The Mommy & Me class has 9 of the 10 available spots filled.

Youth Program – Bryan Vickery reported that the Backyard Bible Studies in July were well attended. Now that school has started there will be a mailing sent out to the youth to keep the momentum going. Bryan stated that it’s important to teach the youth what it means to be loved by Jesus.

Adult Education – Tammy Payton reported that an opportunity for a six week small group session based on the book “Change the World” will be offered in the fall. Participants will be challenged to take a leading role in the congregation’s mission efforts. WWW starts on September 5<sup>th</sup>. In order for Wednesday night programs to be successful, a meal needs to be provided. The idea this year is to have simple meals so that the emphasis is on fellowship. On average, 21 different groups meet in the church each week.

Family Ministries – Kim Webster reported that the carnival workers dinner was very successful again; it’s in its tenth year. The church volunteers and carnival workers both look forward to the meal each year. In addition to the meal, Jim Harris provided Gideon Bibles; there were health checks and massages for the workers too. Over 200 people attended the pool party this year. There is a discussion that next year Vacation Bible School be held Monday thru Friday and combine the pool party with the final evening. Planning has started for the annual Halloween hot dog roast with the possibility of adding a “Trunk or Treat” in the parking lot.

Health & Welfare – Cheryl Howard reported that there will be a blood drive August 26<sup>th</sup> that has been organized by Cole Quyle. Our church as agreed to be an emergency Red Cross shelter site.

Evangelism/Outreach – Steve Klinger reported that the Monday night visits are still being made to first time visitors and that the daytime group continues to make visits too. Steve says they are seeing faith in action from their efforts.

UMW – Mary Craig reported that the rummage sale will be held September 15<sup>th</sup>. The women need help with pricing and sorting. The invitation to new members is always open.

UMM – No report

- Unfinished Business – None
- New Business – None
- The next Administrative Council Meeting will be Tuesday, October 9, 2012.

Rev. Dennis closed the meeting with prayer.