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Administrative Council Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2013

- **Welcome/Call to Order**

Vice-Chairperson Janie Lewis called the meeting to order.
Rev. Dennis opened the meeting with prayer.
The attendance sheet was passed around to be signed by those present.

- **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the October 10, 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 said his ministry perspective is evangelism, discipleship and ministry with the focus on growing the children's ministry.

Assistant Pastor Ben comments were that we need to give more to God, all the efforts of the church, whether its committee meetings or worship, should focus on having God at the center. There will be a new Bible Study Class beginning in April on how to study the Bible. Also a mission trip to Henryville to help rebuild homes is being planned for July 25th – August 2nd. There is a need for 15 people to make this a successful mission.

Lay Leader Sue Klinger was unable to attend the meeting but sent a report. Sue said that in her role as Lay Leader she will focus on congregational needs and building bridges as an encourager.

- **Administrative Reports**

Trustees – John Lewis reported that new entry doors have been ordered for the entrances near the parlor and the office. They should be installed soon.

Staff Parish Relations – Greg Long was unable to attend the meeting but it was reported that the committee is updating job descriptions for the church staff.

Lay Leadership Committee – Rev. Dennis reported that the committee is continuing to look for potential leaders in the church. The committee is focusing on smaller but more effective committees.

Finance Committee – Signe Nicholson reported that the committee has not met since the last council meeting but that the financials for the year are set. Signe wants to present financial information on Sunday's so the congregation knows their money is being well spent. Each week contributions to the general fund need to be \$12,000 in order to meet the church's financial obligations.

Treasurer's Report – Bill Yeager reported that all accounts payable are current and there was an ending balance as of January 31, 2013 of \$1,488.08 in the general fund.

Communications Committee – Laura Gutzwiller was unable to attend the meeting but Dana Forester reported that a new pictorial directory will be published this year; pictures will be taken in May.

Technology Committee – Dave Burton reported that their committee has a lot going on this year. Among the things they are working on are:

1. Replacing the server
2. Upgrading the switch
3. Designing a Smart Phone application for the church
4. Implement on-line giving

Membership/Attendance Committee – Dana Forester passed out the attendance report as of the most recent Sunday. The report showed a total increase in attendance across all three services of 56 people from the same week the previous year.

Member at Large – Dale Wilson said he enjoyed the "Not A Fan" series and appreciated it being offered to the congregation.

- **Ministry and Missions Reports**

Worship Committee – Jeff Lawson had several items to report: 1) The committee is looking to install banners with various messages above the choir area that can be changed out; 2) This Easter they will be ordering tulips for the sanctuary instead of lilies because of allergy concerns; and 3) The Worship Committee will support the new Stephen's Ministry with a \$500 donation from their appropriation.

Prayer Committee – No report.

Missions Committee – Clair Farrand reported that the Missions Committee supported a lot of missions during the Christmas season. This year the committee will focus on fewer missions but give more support to the missions they do support. Fundraising for the new Stephen's Ministry is ongoing with the hope that two people will be trained for the ministry.

Children's Education – Lydia Rychtarczyk reported that the dates have been set for Vacation Bible School for 2013. VBS will start on Monday, June 17th and end Friday, June 21st with a pool party at the park.

Youth Program – Bryan Vickery reported that they are looking for a couple more youth leaders. A mission trip to Kokomo, Indiana the week of June 10th has been planned. The youth group will be working with kids in poverty and provide them with a VBS program. In 2014 there will be an overseas mission trip. The details are yet to be announced.

Adult Education – Tammy Payton was unable to attend the meeting but sent a report showing that small groups continue to be a very important part of our church.

Family Ministries – Kim Webster reported the “Trunk or Treat” event on Halloween was very successful and will be offered again next year. There was a very good turnout for the Breakfast with Santa and plans are being made for the Breakfast with the Easter Bunny.

Health & Welfare – Cheryl Howard reported that there are plans being made for a health fair in April. Plans are being made for a car seat safety check, cholesterol checks, skin cancer checks, bicycle safety, etc. Health screenings will be offered once a quarter.

Evangelism/Outreach – No report.

Preschool Oversight – Lydia Rychtarczyk reported that registration for the 2013-2014 preschool year has started. She discussed the concern about lack of security in the building and would like to have more security in place by the start of school in the fall.

UMW – No report.

UMM – No report.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – None

The next meeting will be April 9, 2013.

Rev. Dennis closed the meeting with prayer.