

The United Methodist Church of Evergreen
Minutes of the Church Council Meeting
July 15, 2018

Attending:

Jeanne Ambrosier (Lay Leader)
Vickie Borden (Chair Finance)
Michael Eaton (Co-Chair Missions)
Penn Gildersleeve (Trustees)
Dave Loomis (Co-Administrative Chair)
Pastor Deb Olenyik
Sarah Sailor (Youth and Children's Education)
Glenn Stoll (UMM and Trustees)
Janice Vickery (At Large)
JoAnn Vogt (Chair of SPR)
Terry Vogt (Membership)
Carol Wood (Office Manager and Minute Taker)
George Wood (at large)
Katie Zapotoczny (C&S)

Opening Prayer: George Wood

Review of April Minutes: Dave Loomis

Dave opened by saying that at UMCE we have had a long-standing agreement that there will be no political announcements in church. There was one today at the 10:30 service. We need to let people know we are not to have political announcements in church. Regarding team reports, if you have a report in the packet please do not read your reports. Also, Katie is being moved up in the meeting to give an update on Church & Society team.

George brought a motion to approve the Church Council minutes from April. Penn seconded the motion. All in favor said aye.

Finance Report: Vickie Borden

Vickie explained that we had been running ahead on revenue, but now we are behind. The offering from Cowboy Sunday was very low. Vickie said when we have a couple of Sundays like Cowboy Sunday it takes a while to catch up. Vickie added that while income is under budget, expenses are also under budget especially for this time of year. Expenses are under budget by \$10K. George mentioned that he thought we were running ahead on revenue by about \$10K. He asked "how far have we dropped off from there?" Vickie said net income is now at \$5,767 YTD. So we are still on the good side, but June was a bad month in terms of revenue.

Vickie then brought up fundraising. She commented that Pastor Deb did a good job mentioning Amazon Smile in the church service announcements. Vickie then explained how Amazon Smile works, that the church gets .5% of whatever people order on Amazon Smile. Vickie then talked about the fundraiser "Sip and Paint." She said one of our local artists and church members, Pem Dunn, has agreed to do this "Sip and Paint" fundraiser at the church. Vickie also talked to John Olson and he is willing to head up a fundraiser golf tournament. Vickie and John will talk about how to get that going. Vickie said she also gave Ruthanne Huber information about the fruit fundraiser from last year, so Ruthanne is working on that. Penn asked where the "Sip and Paint" would be held

and Vickie said they were thinking Fellowship Hall. Penn then mentioned that we have a policy about no red drinks in the church building. Vickie said she was concerned about alcohol for the “Sip and Paint” fundraiser, but we could do coffee or another beverage. Carol mentioned that Pastor Deb brought up that The Book of Discipline says no alcoholic beverages in the church building. Vickie then asked “if we do the Sip and Paint, would Trustees have concerns about the paint?” Penn said they would have a concern if it is after August 24 and 25, because that is when we are scheduled to do a complete carpet cleaning. Penn said he would put drop clothes down. So this would work. Vickie said we could do it without spilling paint on the floor. There were no other questions for Vickie.

Pastor’s Report: Pastor Deb Olenyik

Pastor Deb was in another meeting at the time. Dave said we can move back to Pastor’s report when Pastor Deb gets here. Penn asked when we will go through action items from the Church Council minutes from April. Dave said we would address action items when we go through the team sections. Dave asked that in the future he would like team leaders to address action items in their team reports.

Trustees Report: Penn Gildersleeve

Penn began by pointing out that the Trustees action items were not addressed in the Trustees report that is in the packet. The report that is in the packet is the Meeting Minutes from the Trustees meeting on July 10. Penn said the carpet cleaning is scheduled for August 24 & 25.

Penn mentioned that to his knowledge the Foundation Account for the proceeds from the Ponderosa House sale has been established. However, his concern was that Trustees don’t get a report of that account. Penn said he needs Jennifer to provide a copy of the report on the Foundation account to Trustees. Dave said Trustees should get the reports as well as Finance. Vickie said the account has not been set up yet, the paperwork is still in the safe. Vickie said she would double check on this. Carol added that she thought the paperwork had been signed, but she was not sure if Jennifer had submitted it. Vickie said she will see that the Foundation reports go to Trustees as well as to Finance.

Penn said he wanted to know when we would do video streaming.

Penn has cut down the large fallen tree on our property. It is still in one long piece. Penn said he left the fallen tree in one section on purpose. One of the things the church has been talking about was potentially creating an amphitheater area using pine logs as seats. So until we get that resolved we have a 23’ long, 30” diameter pine tree on our property. The youth in their cleanup will be raking up and cleaning around that area.

Penn then talked about Jackson Browning, an Eagle Scout candidate, who wants to work on an Eagle Scout project for the church. The project would involve budgeting and doing the work. Penn has not yet met with Jackson Browning in person. All communications have been by email.

Another property matter is the memorial garden which is right below the sanctuary. It is in a bit of disarray. There is a light fixture that shines on the building. Penn said that he, Pastor Deb and others took a tour and Pastor Deb mentioned that this would be a good place for a sculpture garden. Penn brought up that Donna Mullins’ daughter has a master’s degree in sculpture. So we are thinking about doing something in that area, having Donna’s daughter help, and making it visible from Safeway.

Penn said the youth will be meeting on Thursday of Youth Mission Week and part of their work list is to get them to clean up the memorial garden. Michael said there are a string of lights down there that need to be taken down. Penn said the lights still work and he added that several other trees down there have lights. Penn left it that if anyone objects to doing work on the memorial garden let Penn know. Penn also mentioned there is a plaque down there dedicating the garden to (Penn to provide name). Dave added even if you do sculptures down there, it can still be a memorial garden, and seeing it from Safeway is a plus.

Penn then changed the subject to Trustees review of the church's Building Use Form. Penn needs to discuss this with Marcia Loomis from Lay Care. She has been working with Carol in the office to update the Memorial and Wedding Guidelines. Penn said there are 3 forms, one for memorials, one for weddings and one separate building use form. Carol pointed out there are 5 forms, memorials and weddings have separate forms for members and non-members. There are separate forms because of separate fee structures. Penn said we need to just have one form. Dave advocated that Penn, Carol, Marcia and Pastor Deb need to work out these details. Dave said Marcia can address specifics.

Penn then said Trustees volunteered Terry to take care of the piano that we were given. Penn said we don't want a proliferation of pianos. Terry said the Lowry piano that was recently donated is a good piano. The tuner said he couldn't bring it up to tune, but Terry and Sandy believe that after 2-3 tunings we might be able to bring it up to tune. We might replace the practice piano in the choir room with this Lowry piano. Terry suggested when we decide which one to keep we can donate the other piano to Echo. Carol said "we checked with Echo and they don't take pianos."

Penn said the Church Council minutes should reflect that Steve Gallup put together the portable sound system that was used at the Church at the Ranch service. Penn gave big thanks to Steve for doing this.

Penn then said he could go into action items. Dave asked Penn just to address the use of the adjacent property. Penn said there has been no feedback from members about how they would like to see it used. Penn and Pastor Deb walked around the property over the din of the highway noise. Pastor Deb and Penn agreed that despite the noise it still is an impressive property. The youth will be cleaning it up during the Youth Mission Week. The State of Colorado has accepted the church's application for religious use exemption for this property. The State will be blending the properties together as tax exempt. Michael asked if we will need to justify religious use for this adjacent property in the future. Penn said we will not, but we still want to use the property somehow. Jeanne mentioned the labyrinth idea for this property, which would be a religious use. Penn mentioned the outdoor amphitheater idea.

Dave asked for an update on the the step for the van. Glenn addressed this. Glenn talked to the ladies at Rocky Mountain Village about getting in and out of the van using the portable step. They say it is working well for them. Michael commented that the portable step slides and isn't safe, and that the portable step isn't a permanent fix. Glenn said the step does work well. Dave said what he is hearing is that there is no stepping stool that can be a permanent change to the vehicle. Trustees could look at portable steps that might be better than what we have.

Dave then asked if there had been any progress on building the shower in the Great Escape bathroom and youth room. Penn said that room is still full of stuff. Half of it belongs to Great

Escape, and half of it to youth group. There is hot water in that area. The youth will not be working on the shower during their mission week. They will just be moving junk around.

Dave then mentioned and thanked Penn for upgrading the signage for the AED and downstairs bathroom. Dave asked if there were any other questions for Penn. No one responded with questions.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Deb Olenyik

Pastor Deb thanked everyone for welcoming her. Her report is in the Church Council packet. Pastor Deb added that her view of membership includes those people who are currently attending, whether they are official members or not. Pastor Deb said she can print out the attendance reports to bring to meetings if that would be helpful. She said the membership numbers from the report of the last 3 months, showed (Pastor Deb to provide number) members. Penn said we also need to consider who is not attending. George asked if people on our membership list are considered members even if they don't attend and don't contribute. Dave commented that people come off the church roll in several ways - moved, deceased, or asked to be removed. Dave asked Pastor Deb if she would be reviewing this every couple years. Pastor Deb said she would look into this.

SPR Report: JoAnn Vogt

JoAnn gave her apologies about the SPR meeting infringing on this meeting. As JoAnn said in the SPR report, we have restarted the SPR staff liaison program with one SPR member designated to one staff member so they have someone with whom to talk. Pastor Deb brought up the subject of staff performance evaluations and JoAnn said SPR is addressing this. Dave commented that performance evaluations never work. George said that he believes they do work and continuous improvement is an important concept in staff performance evaluations – “people, process and tools.” Jeanne said in Education these were called “growth plans.” JoAnn said our next project is to help Pastor Deb get to know the people of the church. Ed Hornfeck is going to be our point person over the next few weeks setting up sit-down meetings with Pastor Deb.

Pastor Deb gave her thanks to SPR for making her feel welcome. JoAnn also mentioned for people to see the article from The Canyon Courier about Pastor Deb. Dixie Miller will put this article on social media, Facebook, etc.

Dave commented that in the future if there is an action item in the previous minutes, we need to have team chairs address those items in their remarks. For instance, in the Church Council minutes from April 2018 several of the teams had action items relating to Social Media.

Membership Report: Terry Vogt

Terry didn't add anything other than to mention the Membership Report is in the packet. Everyone present applauded Terry and Glenn for the nice job on Church at the Ranch.

Penn mentioned that, given the problem at this year's Church at the Ranch with Sumi's broken car window from transporting the round tables, perhaps next year we will use just the rectangular tables. Also regarding Sumi's broken car window, Penn had Carol call Church Mutual and they said the damage would not be covered because the event did not happen on church property. Penn said the repair of Sumi's window was taken care of with Chris' Glass and the church does not owe anything.

Social Media Update: Dave Loomis

Dave opened the discussion by saying we've been talking social media for six months now, since the men's ski trip. Terry said that it is Bill Graf's brain child and Bill wants to be on the task force. (Bill was not present at this Church Council meeting.) However, Terry said, the idea is dormant now. He said the first question is should we do it or not. JoAnn asked for clarity on what "it" is. Terry said the Social Media Task Force is being asked to make recommendations on video streaming the church services. Dave said the next steps are that Bill should put together a team of volunteers to create a plan. Dave said if we need a special Church Council meeting, we will call a special meeting and representatives from Trustees and Finance need to be engaged. Dave said we cannot do much more today without Bill being here, and he mentioned that Pastor Deb needs to be involved in this.

Dave said we are also talking about recording sermons, weddings, etc. and making these available to the outside world on our church website. Terry said it can be live, or it can be recorded. Terry said there is an expense to doing this live. Dave said there are churches that broadcast live. George mentioned that some people in the congregation, pastor, etc. may be sensitive to being recorded.

The action is for Bill to pull a task force together and to involve Finance, Trustees, Pastor Deb and anyone else. Pastor Deb will be very interested in talking to Bill about this. Pastor Deb stressed that our younger members need to be included here. Pastor Deb also mentioned that there is webinar training on the UMC conference level about using social media. Dave said we need to decide on whether updating the website design needs to be part of this project, or is the website update separate? Dave said he is okay either way. Jeanne said we need an official vote to establish the task force. Terry brought a motion to start the social media task force. Jeanne seconded the motion. All in favor said aye. Michael made the point that maybe this project is too expansive. Pastor Deb agreed that the social media task force needs to establish the project scope. Dave said the plan can be a multi-year project. Dave amended the action item, saying that the social media task force is establishing a project scope and will report back to Church Council.

Penn brought up the social media action items that he was supposed to handle. Penn reminded everyone that the church now has the equipment and technical abilities to broadcast from the sanctuary to fellowship hall and that the church can make recordings of church services. The church has these capabilities right now. Penn said Bill wants to do everything right away, but we need to consider whether our congregation accepts these ideas, such as videotaping worship services. With just about any camera you can zoom in and focus just on Pastor Deb. We don't have to record absolutely everything. We could record just the sermon. Penn passed out paperwork (from Bill) on costs of doing the social media video streaming project. Clover charges the church approximately \$300 per year for the church website. One of the updates we could purchase from Clover for our website is the ability to do video streaming. Dave made the point that we should take full advantage of what we currently have – Clover website upgrades, our current technologies, webinars available through the conference, etc. Once Bill starts pulling a plan together we need to start educating the church members. Jeanne said a needs assessment would be important. Carol said to Jeanne's point, there are folks who do not use technology. Penn asked if we could do the live video streaming on cell phones. Vickie confirmed that we are paying \$300 per year for Clover. Michael made the point that Clover is oriented strictly toward churches. Michael said modern website designs modify the presentation based on the technology or device being used (device independent, or device agnostic) and this should be a goal of the task force.

Education Report: Sarah Sailor

Sarah gave a verbal update on the youth and children's programs. Sarah started with VBS. Sarah and Pastor Deb haven't met together to discuss how VBS went. This year's VBS was held before Pastor Deb had started at UMCE. Sarah said VBS was good this year. It was a shorter weekend format, as opposed to the 5-day weekday format with program on Sunday. The attendance numbers were much lower than past years. (Sarah to provide attendance number.) Anecdotal feedback from people outside the church was, "I don't need childcare on weekends." However, participation among church families was up, and volunteer participation from church members was up. The two competing goals were: (1) outreach to the community, and (2) serving families of the church. We need to decide which goal to pursue in the future. The feedback from volunteers is that they liked a smaller VBS group. When VBS is bigger the main issue for volunteers is crowd control.

Sarah then moved on to Youth Mission. We are getting ready for Youth Mission Week. We've filled the church fridge and filled the choir room with supplies. We are not turning away anyone who has projects/work to be done. If we can't get it done during this week we can schedule it another time in the future. The youth will get to the church at 8 am Wednesday and leave at noon on Sunday. We will be going out every day doing work. There will be a dog and car wash on Saturday. Sarah asked everyone to please bring dogs and cars to the wash day. She said the youth are really excited to be doing this youth mission for the church members. There is no cost to church members for anything. Pastor Deb made the point that people feel better giving donations for this, rather than being charged. Donations will be given to AGAPE, not to youth missions. This is a thank you from the youth.

Sarah responded to some questions about why the youth are spending 5 nights overnight at the church when they could just go home at night. She said the feedback from the youth is that they like to stay together during their mission week, rather than go home at night. Sarah also talked about the youth mission t-shirts.

Sarah then talked about Fall Festival which will be on September 9th. The Youth and Children's Education Kick-off will be the following Sunday, September 16th. The theme for this year's EverKids will be "Altogether in the Ark."

New member Vivion Sloan will be working with Jo Ann Dunn to revive the children's choir. Vivion wants to have the children's choir do music during church service once a month. Pastor Deb said Vivion is very passionate about doing children's music. Sarah mentioned that the plan is to have the children's choir sing at Youth and Children's Education Kick-off.

Sarah said we will continue to have a Wednesday afternoon children's program. In the past couple of years the Wednesday afternoon children's program has been very well attended, mainly because it works well with parents' schedules and kids' schedules. Sarah said she doesn't have a topic selected yet for Wednesday programs, but this will be decided soon by Pastor Deb and Sarah.

Penn mentioned to Sarah some things for Youth Mission Week. He asked Sarah if the youth could move the bouncy castle that is in the shed, because it is blocking access. Penn also brought up the little red building on the playground. He asked if the kids could paint this. If so, he has the paint. Last thing with the dog wash and car wash, Penn mentioned that we are under water restrictions in Evergreen so we will need to conserve water. Sarah said they would use wading pools for the dogs.

Michael asked on behalf of the Finance committee why there was a discrepancy between expense and income for VBS. Sarah said that Pastor Deb discussed this with Finance and that this won't happen again with VBS. Sarah explained about UMCE's policy that VBS volunteers do not have to pay for their kids to participate. In past years, with more community involvement the revenue was higher. Now with most parents volunteering there is less revenue overall. Vickie said the discrepancy was \$300-\$400, and that this is something to consider when deciding on a format for next year, but it won't put the church under.

Lay Care Report: JoAnn Dunn was absent, Janice Vickery gave update

Janice said that Lay Care has a memorial on July 28 for Andrea (Andy) Huggins. We don't know how many we are expecting. Marcia asked for 3 volunteers to come help. There is a wedding planned for October 6 for Amy Fechenbach (former member). We haven't had any calls for Lay Care food. One person is having surgery in a couple of weeks. Janice asked this person to pick out a meal for himself. Janice doesn't know about a food delivery person. Pastor Deb said she would assist with food delivery, that the pastor will have first contact with the need and can pull it out and sign it out. Or sometimes it might involve an email to folks asking for their involvement. Janice said we could have team members on call during a given month. Janice said the main issue is about finding out who is in need. Pastor Deb said she and the church secretary are the ones who will find out about these needs and communicate them to Lay Care.

Missions Report: Michael Eaton

Michael said the team produced a new list of mission opportunities which are on the bulletin board and website. The only things to add are progress on action items that have been addressed. The Missions team is not meeting in the summertime but there are a lot of things going on, members are participating in various mission activities. Vickie asked about Echo lunches. Vickie said we've collected quite a bit of money. Vickie said we need to know what to do with balance. Should we distribute the remaining funds to Echo? Michael said the Missions team is not addressing this during the summer break. Vickie said there are additional lunches in July and August. There are several hundreds of dollars left currently. Vickie said we need clarification on which Echo project the contributions should be applied to. Michael said he would escalate this to the Missions team to clarify this. Dave said this is a valid point. We are trying to be sure the books reflect this correctly. Dave said we would start with the definition of Echo, and the issue of Church & Society raising the funds, etc. Penn mentioned Mountain Resource Center is also a recipient of our food donations. Any questions for Michael? No one had questions.

United Methodist Men: Glenn Stoll

Glenn said the men sang at the Mother's Day service and served a special mother's day breakfast. It was successful and well received. George commented that small things make a big difference, and this made a big difference. Pastor Deb asked Glenn if the men wanted to do this again next year. Glenn said he would ask the men about it. Pastor Deb said the men would get first dibs.

Glenn said that he has 8 out of 9 programs covered for UMM for the coming year. Glenn would like Michael to fill the last program with scuba diving photography. Michael said maybe he would put together his Nepal and scuba diving photos into a program.

Vickie mentioned that someone from the UMC Endowment Fund should come and speak to the men's group. Vickie said we haven't connected yet with a speaker, and we don't have a date lined up yet. Glenn said the endowment program would probably be in the spring sometime. Pastor Deb said Doug Carrington from Finance will be contacting someone at the Endowment to speak. Glenn

said it would be open to the entire congregation. Vickie said the Endowment speaker could also speak at Adult Education.

Glenn ended that the first UMM meeting will be September 8.

Church and Society Report: Katie Zapotoczny

Katie said her report aligns well with the action items from previous Church Council minutes. Starting this fall we will be doing Adult Education classes that address Methodist Social Principles.

The update on The Way Forward will be in Late January 2019. The General Conference (Pastor Deb or Katie to clarify this) are voting in late February. The Council of Bishops has recommended the One Church Plan which would remove restrictive language from The Book of Discipline. Katie asked if this gets voted down at General Conference where does this leave us? (Pastor Deb to provide details about this). George asked about developments in The Way Forward whether this will have an impact on our gay Bishop. Katie said she believes that matter is being treated separately.

There will be a Barefoot Mile walk in Littleton on July 21. You can register at the time of the walk. Church & Society is planning to organize a Barefoot Mile walk in the Evergreen/Conifer area next June (this is scheduled for June 22, 2019).

Dr. Brodsky of JOY International will speak to UMM on October 6th and the community will be invited to attend. We are hoping Dr. Brodsky will come back to speak at UMCE again in April 2019.

Church & Society held another Family Movie night in May. We solved the technology issues and this runs smoothly now. C&S does this 3-4 times per year.

We supported the Mountain Area Backpack Program again this May. We've supported this for several years. On May 20 the youth delivered donated food to Evergreen Lutheran Church.

A couple of other things, Rabi Jamie is working to develop more low income housing in Evergreen. There was a meeting about that in May. Donna Mullins and Clyde Sacks attended that meeting. This spring there were several LGBTQ support meetings at Lariat Lodge. A number of members have attended those meetings. Lariat hosts the meetings once a month. Jeanne said the next meeting is going to be held at Wild Game. The discussion moved to Worship.

Worship: Jo Ann Dunn was absent, JoAnn Vogt gave update

JoAnn Vogt said we are looking into having communion stewards to assist with serving communion.

Dave mentioned that he had an action item under Worship from the Church Council meeting in April that he has not addressed, "Talk to Matt Sailor about Ushers." Dave said he would follow up on this and report back at the next Church Council meeting.

Additional Items of Business:

Jeanne mentioned the Evergreen Shelter Program ("ESP"). She is on the ESP leadership team. The team is changing the temperature requirement. Also many local churches have gotten involved. There are trainings starting in October. Jeanne said they are still reworking the wording on what the trainings will be.

Dave wanted to know if ESP fits into Missions or Church & Society. JoAnn and Jeanne have been reporting on this and said it fits in Missions. Michael raised the point that it overlaps with Church & Society. Dave said we need to fit this into one group or another. Pastor Deb said if the impact is local it belongs in Missions, if the impact is broader it belongs in Church & Society. Michael said this doesn't make sense. Dave said the Missions and C&S teams need to define what their role is and then we can publicize this to the broader church. Pastor Deb said The Book of Discipline says we can handle this however it fits with the individual church. The administrative committees are addressed specifically in The Book of Discipline, but the non-administrative committees are not addressed specifically in The Book of Discipline.

Penn mentioned the closets in the choir room. These are now being used for LayCare. The keys that work are the master keys.

Pastor Deb communicated that UMCE is no longer part of Rocky Mountain Conference. We are now part of the Mountain Sky Conference, the Mile High Metro District. Our new District Superintendent is Paul Kottke and our Congregational Resource Minister is Betty Nguyen.

Betty Nguyen will be meeting with Pastor Deb at our church in the coming weeks. Betty says she wants to be a resource for us and our ministry. Pastor Deb will be giving Betty a couple of dates and times that will work. Pastor Deb would like Jeanne and Dave here for that and she has asked Jeanne and Dave when they would be available to meet. Jeanne said Bill Graf should maybe participate in this as well. Michael seconded that Bill would be important to have there. He doesn't know when Bill will be returning, but he should be returning before August.

Vickie will be making quarterly statements available starting next Sunday.

Penn brought up that there is a vacancy in Trustees. Frank Platt has stepped down due to health issues. Pastor Deb clarified that the Nominations and Leadership Development team will be starting to take new names to fill this opening in Trustees. If anybody on Church Council has recommendations Pastor Deb would appreciate it. She said we also need to keep a good generational mix. Pastor Deb requested anyone having someone to recommend should email her that name and give some background on the person's skills.

Closing with Prayer: The Rev. Deb Olenyik

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Wood

ACTION ITEMS FROM CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING ON JULY 15, 2018

Dave's Comments:

- Need to let congregation members know there are to be no political announcements during the church service.
- Teams in the future will address "Action Items" in their team reports for Church Council packet.
- Dave mentioned that he had an action item under Worship from the Church Council meeting in April that he has not addressed, "Talk to Matt Sailor about Ushers." Dave said he would follow up on this and report back at the next Church Council meeting.

Finance:

- Vickie to organize "Sip and Paint."
- Vickie also to organize golf tournament with help of John Olson.
- Ruthanne Huber to handle the fruit sale this August/Sept.
- Foundation account for proceeds from Ponderosa house sale to be set up. Vickie to work with Jennifer to ensure this is completed and to ensure that both Finance and Trustees get the reports on this in the future.

Trustees:

- Colossal Carpet Cleaning will be cleaning Church and Great Escape carpeting on August 24 & 25 to be managed by Donna Mullins of Trustees.
- Penn and Bill need to get together on where we are at with video streaming worship services on church website. Penn has everything ready on the equipment side to accomplish this. Follow up with Bill on this.
- Eagle Scout project by Jackson Browning. Penn will be meeting with Jackson to scope this out.
- Youth Mission Week work for Trustees – cleanup area around fallen tree and the rest of that adjacent property, cleanup memorial garden area, paint little red building on playground, move bouncy castle out of shed.
- Penn to work with Carol, Marcia and Pastor Deb to update Building Use Form. Also considering consolidating Memorial and Wedding guideline forms with building use form.
- Terry Vogt agreed to take care of the recently donated Lowry piano that is now in the choir room. Terry and Sandy discussed and agreed that they would do several tunings of this piano before deciding whether to keep it or donate it. Several tunings would help determine if this would be a decent replacement for the piano that has been in the choir room for years.
- Trustees to look into getting a better (sturdier) step for the church van.
- Shower project in Great Escape area delayed for now.

Pastor:

- Working on updating Membership lists.
- Engaging with Bill on Social Media Task Force.
- Conference webinar on Social Media.
- Organizing meeting with Betty Nguyen and possibly Jeanne, Dave and Bill.

SPR:

- Pastor gatherings will be organized by Ed and Sarah Hornfeck.
- Dixie Miller to put Canyon Courier article about Pastor Deb on Facebook and church's social media sites.

Membership:

- At future Church at the Ranch events Terry will be sure that the men only transport rectangular tables, in order to avoid the mishap that occurred with Sumi Schroeder's window getting broken when round table shifted and crashed into her pickup window.

Social Media:

- Bill Graf to put together a team of Pastor Deb, Finance and Trustees representatives and church volunteers to establish scope of Social Media Task Force. Then report back to Church Council. Pastor Deb stressed that the task force should include younger members of the congregation as well.
- There needs to be a decision about whether an update of the church website should be part of the Social Media Task Force, or whether this should be handled separately. Social Media Task Force will decide this.
- Penn requested that Bill Graf determine if the congregation accepts the idea of videotaping the worship services and other changes being considered by the Social Media Task Force.
- Michael asked that the Social Media Task Force make it a priority that the video and website changes, etc. be device independent.

Education:

- Youth Mission Week coming up starting Wednesday, July 18.
- Kid's choir to be started by new member Vivion Sloan and they will be singing at the Youth & Children's Education Kick-off on Sunday, Sept. 16. (This was tabled because Vivion has family member with serious health issues.)
- Wednesday children's program – Pastor Deb and Sarah still need to decide on theme for this year. The goal is to restart the program in September.
- Youth Mission requests from Trustees - cleanup area around fallen tree and the rest of that adjacent property, cleanup memorial garden area, paint little red building on playground, move bouncy castle out of shed. Water conservation during car and dog wash.

Lay Care:

- Memorial Service for Andrea Huggins on July 28.
- Wedding for Amy Fechenbach on October 5.
- Pastor Deb to assist with food delivery.
- Lay care to discuss and decide on creating an on-call person for food delivery team members to rotate responsibility monthly.
- Pastor Deb and Carol to communicate food needs to Lay Care Team.

Missions:

- Missions team needs to clarify for Vickie and Jennifer how to separate the Echo lunch donations and other ECho donations. There is still money left over from doing Echo lunches this summer.

United Methodist Men:

- Men's choir singing and doing breakfast on Mother's Day was so well received that Pastor Deb asked the men to go ahead and plan on doing this again for Mother's Day 2019.
- Vickie asked Glenn to schedule someone from the UMC Endowment Fund to speak at a Men's Breakfast. Glenn said no date has been schedule yet, but the plan was to hold this in Spring 2019.
- Doug Carrington from Finance team has been asked to follow up with the Endowment to get some dates.

Church & Society:

- Church and Society will update congregation on "A Way Forward" in late January 2019.
- Barefoot Mile Walk in Littleton on July 21. Church and Society members to participate.
- Barefoot Mile Walk being planned for Evergreen/Conifer in June 2019 (date to be June 22). Jan Thurling organizing and doing letters to other churches in Evergreen and Conifer.
- Dr. Brodsky of JOY International speaking at combined Men's and Women's breakfast on Saturday, October 6.

Worship:

- Dave Loomis to talk with Matt Sailor (lead usher) about training and recruiting ushers.

Additional:

- ESP program to be responsibility of Missions team not Church & Society. Training for this coming ESP season starts in October. Jeanne will be communicating this.
- Pastor Deb, Dave and Jeanne will meet with Betty Nguyen, our new Congregational Resource Minister for UMC Mile High Metro District.
- Vickie will be distributing second quarter giving statements starting on Sunday, July 22.
- Pastor Deb and Nominations team will be nominating new Trustees member to replace Frank Platt who has stepped down for health reasons.