

First United Methodist Church of Waverly
Church Council Minutes
May 26, 2015

Attendance: (15) Veranda Johnson, Brian Johnson, Marjorie Shreve, Sarah Wilson, Pastor Scott Shreve, Jean Danley, Al Blankenship, Lon Hoppel, Mike Buchardt, Brian Ebke, Pat McGill, Martha Rhoades, Christy Snyder, DeLynn Hay and Dawn Schomaker

Regrets: Wanda Mandigo

Called to order by: Sarah Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm in the Parlor.

Opening Devotions: Pastor Scott

MINUTES: Pat McGill moved that the March minutes be approved. Martha Rhoades seconded. The minutes were approved with no changes.

REPORTS:

Finance: Martha Rhoades

- See agenda
- End count is \$115,227 as of the 26th
- Want an audit this year
 - \$5000 - \$6000 for audit from discretionary fund 1120u
- Never has an audit done
- We have done in house reviews
- District requires one every 5 years
 - A review every year you don't do an audit
- Reviews are \$2000 - \$3000
- Audit for 2015
 - Looking at firms
 - Adam Parrish is a CFO at Huddle
 - Finding 3 firms to make bids
 - Bring to June Financial meeting
- Martha Rhoades made motion for up to \$6000 for 2015 audit in early 2016 be set aside from account 1120u
 - Seconded by Marjorie Shreve
 - Amendment – and subsequent to that the financial budget will add a line item
 - Motion with amendment
 - To set aside up to \$6,000 from the Discretionary Church Council Fund 1120u for the audit of the 2015 financials to occur in the early part of 2016 and subsequent to that the money will be budgeted into the Finance committees budget to cover reviews on annual basis and audits at the periodic basis determined
 - Consensus was made to approve the motion as proposed
 - Motion passed
- Elevator Update
 - Tim Sutter has made some good progress on the sidewalk
 - Should have most of it done with general landscaping
 - Trying to have complete by June 20, our first wedding
 - Choir loft
 - Early summer

- After all projects are done, Finance Committee will make a recommendation to the Council as to what to do with the remaining balance in the Elevator Fund
 - Most probable will be to pay on the principle balance of the loan

Youth: Veranda Johnson

- Renovation request was made by Veranda Johnson for up to \$9000 for renovating the youth room for safety, comfort and increase use by everyone in the church
 - Gave PowerPoint presentation on changes needed/wanted
 - Wants to have done by early September
- Have already made presentation to the Trustees and the Finance Committee
 - Both committees approved the proposal
 - Finance committee
 - 1140c Classroom Donations \$1752.09
 - 1180b New Floors \$908.28
 - Balance of the project be funded between fundraising of the youth and 1120u Council Discretionary Fund (about \$7000 in account now)
- Motion was made by DeLynn Hay that the Council approve
 - 1140c \$1752.00
 - 1180b \$908.00
 - 1120u \$4000
 - Youth to fundraise for the remainder
 - Leaves \$2240
 - Seconded by Christy Snyder (?)
- Discussion ensued
- Brian Johnson amends the motion to strike the youth having to fundraise
 - Scott added the Waverly First United Methodist Loder Youth Ministry Endowment to be used
 - Can only spend interest - \$2076 in account
 - Use as backup fund to fill in the gap
 - Congregation donate what they want
 - Amended motion seconded by Al Blankenship
- Brian Johnson withdrew amendment
- DeLynn withdrew original motion
- DeLynn made a new motion that the Council approve
 - 1140c \$1752.00
 - 1180b \$908.00
 - 1120u \$4000
 - Congregation to be allowed to opportunity to donate to help support the project
 - With the Waverly First United Methodist Loader Fund being used to fill in the gap between the amount left and the amount raised by the congregation
 - Al Blankenship seconded the new amendment
 - Motion passed

Boy Scout Project: Quinton Arnett accompanied by father, Ken Coleson

- To build a bench on the east side of the Boy Scout shed that would complement the fire pit with a Honoring Vet plaque
 - 2 block high retaining wall
 - Bricks are going to be about the same ones as the fire pit (if they can be found)
 - Add mulch and dirt to level it out
 - River Rock on top of it to make it look nice
 - 8' long bench (haven't figured how tall it needs to be yet)

- Will look like the benches Bryce Johnson made by the fire pit
 - 6"x6" post with plaque for Veterans
- All sponsored and paid for by Larry Nedrow
- Would like to do the project in mid to late July
- One day project
 - Project was brought about by Larry Nedrow
- Motion was made by DeLynn Hay to refer the project to the Trustees and give them the authority to approve the project if they so desire
 - Pat McGill seconded
 - Motion passed

Education: Sondra Buell

- VBS is June 1-5

Evangelism: Jean Danley

- April 19 UNO/Pitch game night with Sloppy Joes
 - Approximately 40 people attended
- June 7 will be the next brunch following church
- July 4th will have inflatables during the UMW Ice Cream Social
- Luncheon and games to follow Worship on the Green on July 12
- August 16 planning a Back to School dinner

Garden Club: Marjorie Shreve

- Had trouble getting garden in due to rain, along with weeding
- Have lettuce, spinach, radishes, rhubarb
- Planted asparagus for next year
- Planted 2 rows of sweet corn
- Planted tomatoes and peppers

Memorial: Scott Shreve

- Met once this year
- Chrystal Johnson chairs
- As the Elevator focus comes to a conclusion, open to suggestions on new goals
 - Send suggestions you may have to them

Mission Committee: Scott Shreve and DeLynn Hay

- Emergency Response Training has 20 registrations
 - Will be held in the Fellowship Hall on June 6
 - No future date set yet for next training
- DeLynn went to Dewitt and helped out after the flood
- Committee met on April 26
 - Sondra and Sandy Rieckman visited Epworth and talked with new director – Harrieta Reynolds
 - Hope to have Harrieta Reynolds come out sometime this summer to share the story
 - Other items are ongoing

SPPRC: Al Blankenship

- Did assessment of Pastor Scott to be sent into the District Office
 - Very, very high numbers
- Scott did his assessment
- All assessments are sent in to District Office

- Meets with District Superintendent on Sept 22, 2015

UMM: Lon Hoppel

- Very good Mother's Day Breakfast
 - 70 people attended
 - The Gospelaire's group for the program
Will host another one next year
- Regular meeting will be Sun, June 14 at 6:00 at the BBQ Pit
- Scott is hosting the UMM table at Festival of Tables on June 17 – Baseball theme
- July 4th Pancake/French Toast Feed
 - 6:30 or 7:00 to 9:00 am
 - With Kiwanis

UMW: Pat McGill

- May Breakfast
 - Good attendance
 - Lovely program
 - Sales table was outstanding
- Sat, May 30 is Mission u – Church of People with Disabilities
 - 9:00-3:00
 - Subject is disabilities
- Sat, June 6 is the next meeting
 - Will hear from Teena Faubel of the Midwest Mission Distribution Center
- UMW Sunday is June 7
 - Evangelism brunch to follow
- Hosting a table at Festival of Tables

Worship: Christy Snyder

- Sun, July 12 is Worship on the Green
 - Visual Ministry Band performing
 - Help Evangelism serve lunch following the service
- Started 1 service on May 24
- 2 services will start on Sept 13
- Research on new audio/visual equipment and upgrades to equipment in sanctuary and fellowship hall
 - Midwest sound and lighting

Trustees: Brian Ebke

- Veranda presented Youth Room Renovations project
 - It was approved unanimously
- Sidewalk pretty much in
 - Still need to connect to already existing sidewalk along the building
- Some sidewalk replacement around perimeter
- As soon as Tim Sutter is done, the dirt will be removed
- Stove burner switch replaced
- Women's bathroom downstairs fixed
- Need to look at choir loft to see what changes are needed to make wheelchair accessible
- Fixed window in parsonage
- Looked at underground sprinkler system
 - Tabled for now, keep in mind
 - About \$7000 for here and parsonage
 - Will not include sprinklers along curbs

Pastors Report: Scott Shreve

- Worship is now at 10:00
- Sermon series from the book of Exodus for the summer
- Special worship as noted (?)
- Vacation to be determined
- Attendance 239 for/through May this year,
 - 216 in 2014
 - 193 in 2013

Other items

- Annual Conference in Wichita, KS – June 10-13
 - Scott and DeLynn will be at Annual Conference
 - Typical reports
 - Special speaker is the Bishop from the Dakota area
 - Election of delegates to General Conference
 - Occurs 2016
 - 6 Lay persons
 - 6 Clergy
 - Plus Southcentral Jurisdiction Conference
 - To see everything that will be discussed, you can go to the Great Plains Conference website and click on the link to Annual Conference
- Photo Directory – postponed
 - Possibility to do it in-house
 - \$0.08 per page
 - Can put on thicker paper like resume
- 4th of July Parade
 - No one volunteered yet
 - Put help needed for float in weekly announcements
 - Suggestion made
 - If no volunteers by June 8, don't have one
- Halloween – to discuss later

Meeting Adjourned at 8:35 pm

Next Meeting: July 28, 2015 at 7:00