

Administrative Council Minutes
May 14, 2014 - DRAFT

Deanne Hackman opened the meeting on May 14, 2014, at 6:00pm. Karen Shearer led the opening prayer. In attendance were: Rhonda Linsley, Debbie Baker, Karen Butner, Betty Vancil, Sandy Sunderland, Ben Coleman, Karen Shearer, Deanne Hackman, Wayne Hackman, Sherwin Dent, Carolyn Ketsenburg, Julius Ketsenburg, and Ellen Gehringer.

Draft minutes of the April meeting were reviewed and Sherwin Dent moved for acceptance. Betty Vancil seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

This meeting is occurring a week ahead of schedule to address time-sensitive issues.

SPRC: Betty Vancil opened by thanking the SPRC team for all their hard work and commitment over that last year. Betty went on to say that it has been a busy week. Pastor Knapp visited Macon and the parsonage and things are going well. The District Superintendent has also been here and one of the topics of discussion has been Pastor Knapp's salary package. As a result of these discussions, SPRC is recommending that Pastor Knapp be allowed to adjust the figures for pastoral support to allow him to use part of it as a housing allowance because the current parsonage is too small for the Knapp family. This will not involve a budget increase as the actual salary package will remain the same. Betty put this recommendation in the form of a motion and Sandy Sunderland seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ben Coleman added that possible future uses for the parsonage were discussed at the recent Trustee meeting. It was suggested that it be made available for a youth director to rent at a reduced rate of \$400 plus utility expenses, while other renters would be charged \$800/month. Ben put this suggestion in the form of a motion and Wayne Hackman seconded it. The motion carried unanimously. Betty Vancil and Karen Shearer will work together to draft a message relaying this information for the next newsletter.

SPRC members are planning to meet with church youth on Sunday, May 18, to share information about SPRC, its goals and purposes. We hope to have confirmation of a new youth director by the end of this week.

Treasurer's Report: Debbie Baker led a review of recent payments and changes in income. Betty Vancil made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, Ben Coleman seconded and the Treasurer's Report was approved.

Uplifters: No report.

Worship Team: No report.

United Methodist Men: No report.

Children's Ministry: Rhonda Linsley had nothing to add to the submitted report. Valerie Ray is assisting with recruiting help for VBS. A sign-up sheet will be available at Sunday services with a goal of having all positions staffed by June 10.

Family Ministry: Karen Butner shared that the recent skating party was a success with approximately 65 people in attendance include several non-member participants. Plans are underway for a skating party after VBS ends to include the non-member attendees and their families. In addition, Karen shared that the Serving Team will be hosting a swimming party later in the summer for foster families.

Memorials: Sherwin Dent led a discussion on the new directional signs that are planned for the west pocket yard. Bids have been obtained from two vendors. Sherwin made a motion that the Memorials Committee be approved to spend up to \$9,000 for the purpose of purchasing and installing these signs. Karen Shearer seconded and the motion carried.

Sharing Team: Sandy Sunderland reported that the Serving Team will be organizing small group dinners to welcome the Knapps, much like we did to welcome the Ketsenburgs five years ago. They are seeking volunteers to host or take part in a dinner or other get-together, or to provide a dinner at a restaurant. Karen Shearer added that she had discussed these dinners with Pastor Knapp and he is interested in the opportunity to meet the congregation. These dinners will be scheduled for the week beginning June 29.

Serving Team: No report

Camping: No report.

Scholarship: No report.

Finance: No report.

Trustees: Ben Coleman reported that Weathercraft Roofing has provided a bid of \$5,300 to repair the leak and make necessary repairs to our flat roof. Ben made a motion that Ad Council move forward with the roof repair by accepting this bid. Sherwin Dent seconded this motion and it carried.

In addition, Ben recommended that we pay the custodian to mow and trim the grass at MUMC and that he be paid \$15 separate from his regular salary when he does this. Sherwin Dent seconded this motion and it carried.

Lay Leader: Karen Shearer shared that Pastor Carl is interested in meeting with the Worship Team together around June 28. In addition, she is preparing to attend the Annual Conference in Springfield, MO. Karen will be transitioning off Ad Council as the MUMC Lay Leader and will begin a new role as Lay Leader for the District.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Ketsenburg shared that he would make himself available to provide any input on how to make the upcoming transition as smooth as possible.

Debbie Baker made a motion that the meeting adjourn. Sandy Sunderland seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm. The meeting was closed with a prayer led by Pastor Ketsenburg.

Next meeting: June 18, 2014

Respectfully Submitted,

Ellen Gehringer

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