

Hillsboro United Methodist Church

Church Council Meeting

January 16, 2019

Members Present: Pastor Kent Bailey, Elaine Weaver, Bobbie Myers, Deanna Lawson, Hope Guffey, Treasurer Bill Guffey, Mandy Smith, Kelly Smith, Terry Gunn, John Dimitri, Alex Dunavant, Chairman Bill Myers, Susan McKelvey, Secretary Linda Grose.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Myers at 7:15pm.

Opening Prayer and devotional by Pastor Kent Bailey. Scripture reference from Ephesians 4:3-16.

Previous minutes read and reviewed

Motion to approve minutes from October 17, 2018 by Deanna Lawson, second by Terry Gunn. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Bill Guffey reported that September, 2018 was the last report and reviewed the current report. A copy of the report was passed to all members. Current new year balance is \$49,405.57. It was noted that "this is the first time the offering has exceeded the expenses in a long time." Discussion and decision to pay apportionments twice a year, once now and again in June or July. Motion by Terry Gunn, second by John Dimitri. Motion passed.

It was proposed by Bill Guffey to move left over money to the Emergency and Capital Improvement account. Terry Gunn motioned and it was passed.

The Backpack Fund current balance is \$4747.93.

The donation for Disaster Relief Fund, approximately \$2500.00 was sent from designated fund per Treasurer. Motion to approve by Kelly Smith, second by Terry Gunn. Motion passed.

Reports from Ministry Council

Susan McKelvey: Children's Program and Blue Monarch attendees approximate 12-15 children each in both the younger and the older classes, as well as 10 to 12 adults. A \$500.00 donation was made to the Children's Program. It was added to the Youth Fund as there is currently not a Children's Fund. Funds will be appropriated as needed. Children's Christmas program was excellent. Discussion of "Safe Sanctuary" for childcare deciding that Mandy Smith will follow up on development.

Bobbie Myers: Ice maker is in and paid for. Kelly Smith suggested and council discussed thermostats, pros and cons of programmed thermostats verses status quo. No decisions made at this time.

Elaine Weaver: PPR Meeting Sunday January 20, and the UMW will be preparing for Bake Sale in May.

Deanna Lawson: Discussed and promoted Friend Day, January 27. She suggested that we assist Asbury Church with help for an elderly couple who are in need of housing repairs. The Smith's suggested local Habit for Humanity to get involved as well. Deanna would like to see a designated fund or offering to be included in budget for benevolence. Chairman Myers suggested when a need is identified a special offering could be taken. Move for this motion by Kelly Smith, second by Mandy Smith, Motion passed. Worship Committee discussed training for acolytes and reviewed the calendar through Easter.

Mandy Smith: Blue Monarch program going well. The Youth Spaghetti fundraiser has been planned, Warmth in Winter next month, and the youth will assist in the Good Friday service .

Terry Gunn: The E-tithing Initiative was discussed at length. Vanco handles and supports this program at 2.73 percent cost to the church Terry moved to continue and develop with fund information in March to vote. Second by Deanna Lawson. Motion passed.

John Dimitri: Men's Chili Luncheon, February 17, and also stated someone would be at the next UMM meeting seeking sponsorship for future missions trip.

Alex Dunavant: Youth have been discussing friends with regard to Friend Day, Planning for Warmth in Winter, as well as Spaghetti Fund Raiser.

Pastor Kent Bailey: Planning to attend a Meeting in Murfreesboro in February to discuss Boy Scouts program. Mentioned the new secretary's concern of security as there is not a lock on the door to the church. No changes to be made, and it was suggested to lock inside office door if desired.

Chairman Bill Myers: Reviewed website changes and asked for confirmation of proposed changes. Discussed a scholarship for local and church youth for college. Will discuss further next meeting.

The following dates were noted.

- January 20: PPR meeting 5:00 pm
- January 27: Friend Day and the Spaghetti Youth Fund Raiser
- February 2 and 3: Warmth in Winter
- February 5: Murfreesboro meeting on Boy Scouts
- February 10: Education Meeting
- February 24: Cemetery Board Meeting
- March 20: Church Council Meeting
- April 19: Easter Egg Hunt 2:00pm

Meeting dismissed and closed with prayer by Terry Gunn.
Next meeting March 20, 2019 at 7:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Grose
Recording Secretary

Edited and Revised
Bill Myers