

Leadership Council Minutes

November 27, 2007

Meeting opened by Dewey Dixon.

Devotion: Becky Finn

Review and Correct Minutes from October Meeting:
Motion and Second - Approved.

Committee Updates:

- Finance:** Report by McDonald
- October - Income - Over Budget
 - Expenses: Under Budget
 - YTD: \$47,000 under budget
 - YTD: \$36,000 net

- Stewardship:**
- Renewals: To Date 177 for 2008
 - This is 2% over 2007
 - \$719,403.00 2008 to Date

- Staff/Parish:** Joyce McDonald reported:
- Committee formed to find a replacement for Paul Rupp's position. Music position only.
 - Paul accepted a position in Naples, FL which will be a step up in finance and position.
 - Reception for Paul on December 9, 2007
 - Rev. Barry reported: Two applications for organist have been received to date.

- Trustees:** Roger Douglas reported:
- Getting property cleaned up, miscellaneous work.
 - Quotes for painting and repair of church. Also quotes for the parsonage.
 - Bids on painting and landscaping.
 - Money is available.

- New Building:** Frank Fussell reported:
- Verbal approval from the county has been received. However, must reformat. Will not accept the same format as the state.
 - Plan to go to county November 28, 2007. Should have permits by December 25, 2007.
 - Target to start new building construction is January 1, 2008.
 - Will be planting a hedge with nine oak trees between the church property and Crown Oaks.

Pastor Comments: Rev. Barry

- Spiritual outlook is wonderful at this church.

Ministries:

United Methodist Men: John Beard reported:

Report attached.

- Commented on wonderful job Kevin Hays has done. He will be stepping down as president of the UMM next year as he will be busy with other duties.
- December 2007: Christian fellowship. Alison James will play music during meal. Other special music will be presented. Santa will be there.
- February 2008: Night time meal. "Date Night"! Mike Finn will be helping with the cooking.

United Methodist Women: Judy Peeler reported:

Report attached:

- Flea Market is planned for April 5, 2008.
- February 9, 2008 - First Fellowship for 2008.
- Looking forward to another good year.

Youth Ministry: Kris Roberts reported:

Report attached:

- Worship Service Sunday night is growing.
- Average 55 to 60 on Sunday.
- Tuesday - Senior High
- There are two "guy" groups and one "girl" group.
- Wednesday - Approximately 25 students.
- Ski Retreat is planned in January 2008.
- Special Retreat planned for December 2007, in St. Augustine, FL.
- On-Site Child Care: Mom's Night Out. Earning money for Ski Trip.
- Johny Blunt reported:
 - Deb Keely cooked meals for Sunday youth.
- Kris reported Johny registered the youth - great job!

Sanlando Christian School: Kathy Hamel reported:

Report attached:

- Two openings - Kindergarten class.
- One opening - Counselor needed.

New Business:

Rev. Barry reported:

- Ground breaking for construction on the new building will be December 16, 2007. Rev. Wayne Wyatt will participate.
- Confirmation class begins January 6, 2008.
- Confirmation will be March 12, 2008.

Pat Hill reported:

- "Christmas in a Box" will be held December 5, 2007.
- Four elementary schools in the area have been adopted by SUMC.
- A light meal will be served! Need a lot of items for this evening.
- "Angel Tree" will go up Wednesday, November 28, 2007.
- This year only shoes and clothing are needed.
- Thanks to the staff for all their help.

Judy Peeler spoke of the very nice dedication service for the new court yard.

Carl Rainwater shared "The Search for Mission"

Next Meeting: January 28, 2008

Dewey Dixon adjourned the meeting.

Rev. Barry closed with a prayer.