

“I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag and to the Savior for whose Kingdom it stands. One Savior, crucified, risen, and coming again with life and liberty to all who believe.”

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 7, 2010

Chairman Carl Bartell opened the meeting at 7:15 P.M. with prayer followed by pledges to the American and the Christian flags.

Minutes – Harry Vercoe moved and Gilda Britland seconded a motion to approve the March 3, 2010 minutes. Motion passed.

Financial Report – John Gladwell’s motion to accept the Treasurer’s report was approved by the Council Members. The mortgage with Community Bank was closed on March 29, 2010 for a loan of up to 1.250 million dollars. It will be withdrawn in segments, with interest due only on the amount withdrawn.

Old Business

1) Rules Regarding Rental of the New Building – These rules will be established by the Trustees with input from the Transition Committee as they visit other growing and successful churches.

New Business

There were no new agenda items to discuss.

Committee Reports

Prayer/Evangelism/Membership Committees – In Wendy’s absence (vacation), Pastor Mike reported that the Blue Sheets are being kept up to date. The Evangelism Committee meeting was postponed. The Membership Committee is planning a Spring Renewal weekend for June 18-20, with a special Friday night service, an expanded Saturday service, and a Tent Meeting on Sunday morning combining the two services from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon. Reverend Elmer Davis will be the keynote speaker at this service. Vacation Bible School will begin on Monday, June 21 while the tent is still in place.

Social Concerns Committee – A discussion was held on the amount of funds left for assistance and on numerous cases of abuse of the system by some individuals. Girls Night Out reported that they still have funds available and the committee will work to put this money to the best use.

Sandy Shipe reported that there is also some money in the Living Nativity Fund assistance fund.

Missions Committee – Jeanne Quinn was happy to report that her brother, John Harvey, a missionary we support in Guatemala, is doing much better with his health problems and is on the way to recovery.

Health Ministries – No report.

Youth Group – Liz Marshall reported that the youth group did an excellent job in conducting the worship services the weekend of March 13 and 14. They raised almost \$1000 in a love offering to help with their projects. Mike Keim thanked them for their leadership. They will tour the campus of Liberty University on April 8 through 11; this trip is expected to be both fun and informational. They also attended a Purity Rally on March 14.

Staff-Pastor Parish Relations Committee – Nothing to report.

Lewes-Rehoboth Association of Churches (LRAC) – Harry Vercoe reported that LRAC gave three desperately needed heat pumps to a local Senior Center. They gave \$1000 to Jusst Sooup Ministries. LRAC is concerned because their income is down due to the proliferation of thrift stores in the Rt. 1 area. They plan to put their Helping Hand Ministry under a professional manager since requests for aid are growing and more control is needed to prevent abuse of the system. LRAC sponsors a church service at Camp Henlopen on Sunday mornings; Conley's will provide a preacher for Sunday, August 1.

Transition Committee – Ed Perry and the team will be meeting with people from Wyoming Methodist Church, who erected a new building and are growing their congregation. The Committee wishes to gain insight on how they are accomplishing this task.

Trustees – Mike Keim said the Trustees recently met in the new building to become familiar with what is being done there and how we are progressing. This will enable to the Trustees to better answer questions from the church membership. Work on the driveway and roads will commence about the third week in April. The Bishop will meet at the new church with a group of church leaders in April, 2011, providing the building is finished. A larger retention pond will soon be dug.

Capital Campaign Committee – The last yard sale at the pavilion until construction is further along will be held on Saturday, April 10 from 9 A.M. until 2 P.M.

Girl's Night Out – No report.

Pastor's Report – One new member joined the church during the last month -- no weddings or baptisms. Pastor Mike preached at an LRAC-sponsored service at Cadbury Assisted Living on March 3. He was thrilled with the results of Take My Hand Ministry's silent auction held in Conley's Fellowship Hall on March 20. Both he and Ann were excited by the Holy Week services.

Miscellaneous

The United Methodist Men will hold a gathering at Eagles Nest on Saturday, May 1. Featured speaker will be the chaplain for the Indianapolis Colts, who is a former All-American football player. All men are welcome to attend. Cost is \$25.00/person.

The Rehoboth Diner fund raiser during the month march earned \$95.87.

Conley's member Marion Morris's funeral service will be April 9 at Millsboro Veteran's Cemetery, followed by a luncheon at Conley's Fellowship Hall.

John Gladwell moved to adjourn at 8:20 P.M. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jean Unruh, Secretary

These minutes are temporary until approved by the Ad Council at its next meeting.