

“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**

June 2, 2010

President Carl Bartell opened the meeting with communal and individual prayer at 7:05 P.M.

Minutes – Lily Roadcap moved and Bob Wood seconded the motion to approve the May 5, 2010 minutes. Motion passed.

Financial Report – Treasurer Sandy Shipe presented the financial report. Gilda Britland moved to accept the report. Carl Bartell stated that, because this is a committee report, the motion does not need to be seconded. The motion passed.

### **Old Business**

Three items of Old Business remained tabled: 1) Contingency Funding Line in Budget, 2) Rental of the New Church Building, and 3) WKNZ 88.7 as a Mission Budget Item.

### **New Business**

1) Peninsula-Delaware Conference Special Appeal – A number of issues/concerns are targeted each year at Annual Conference for support by the Conference church congregations. The Ad Council voted to give \$250 this year to *Volunteers in Mission* (VIM), a UMC sponsored vital ministry of mission trips that travel locally, nationally, and internationally to serve Christ in a variety of ways, including construction, medicine and Christian education. The money will come from the Missions budget’s discretionary fund.

2) Church Management Software – Wendy Schmitt introduced a concept that she and Pastor Mike have been exploring of managing many of the church activities, studies, etc., in a coordinated computer program. This program can also tie in with Sandy Shipe’s financial software. After an initial search, Wendy proposed to the Council that we purchase a trial package for \$10.00. Following a discussion in which Carl Bartell raised many pertinent questions, Jean Unruh moved and Sandy Shipe seconded the motion to purchase trial package for evaluation. The motion passed. Wendy will also check with local churches to see what software they are using.

3) Wendy Schmitt made a motion to cover the motel expenses, at a cost of up to \$350, for Dr. Elmer Davis and his family when they come for the Spring Renewal weekend. She also moved to provide an honorarium in the amount of \$300 to Dr. Davis for his leadership at all weekend events. Cheryl Wood seconded the motions and they passed. A discussion earmarked which Committee budgets would fund the expenses for the weekend: Membership Committee will cover Friday night dinner and Sunday picnic; Evangelism Committee and UMM will handle the Saturday morning breakfast; and the Worship Committee will fund the honorarium.

4) Camp Pecometh Assistance – Sandy Shipe reported that three young church members (Sophie Schmitt, Jenna Strack, and Jacklyn Strack) plan to attend Camp Pecometh this year.

Conley's usually pays part of the \$500 cost for attendees. Since there has been only one youth attending in recent years, not enough money was budgeted to help defray the costs for three. Sandy moved that the Council add an additional \$900 to the budget for assistance. Gilda Britland seconded the motion, which carried.

4) Use of the Pavilion for District & Conference Picnics – Use of our picnic pavilion has been requested for August 21 and 30. The Trustees, however, are concerned that the site paving of parking lot and roads will not be completed and are reluctant to commit to any activity in the pavilion. Further discussion will be held with Pastor Mike when he returns from vacation.

### Committee Reports

Prayer/Evangelism/Membership Committees – Wendy reported that four people joined during the last month; one more plans to join soon. The Evangelism Committee will meet on Saturday, June 5, at 10:00 A.M. The Worship Committee plans to meet with the Transition Team in preparation for the move to the new facility. The Prayer Committee will meet on June 3 to begin a study of *Praying Through the Bible*. The Worship Committee will meet on Wednesday, June 16 at 7:00 P.M. Usher/Greeter training will be held on Wednesday, June 9. It is important that all people who are interested in ushering or greeting attend this training because new guidelines are being planned in preparation for handling the jobs at the new church.

Missions Committee – Our missionary in Guatemala, John Harvey, sent word that the country is really suffering due to the recent earthquake. They desperately need our prayers and assistance. Randy Chambers and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes also need support for the summer.

Social Concerns Committee – Cheryl Wood said that there are funds available to help people in need who meet the established criteria. An earlier report that there were no funds was in error.

Health Ministries – No report. This Committee needs a chair person. Wendy Schmitt will lead an effort to find a leader and to see what is needed for this group to function. She will report back to the Ad Council.

Youth Group – Liz Marshall said the youth group recently enjoyed the movie *How to Save a Life*. The focus of the group for the summer will be a Monday night get-together called "Break Out." These meetings will be designed to bring the Bible into focus for the group and will include field trips in addition to bible study. The group will resume their regular meetings in September.

Staff-Pastor Parish Relations Committee – Jerry Mitchell reported that Pastor Mike's evaluation had been completed and will be submitted to the Conference office before the June 30 deadline. Jerry also said that the SPPRC will be working on a congregational performance review, much like the reviews done for staff personnel.

Lewes-Rehoboth Association of Churches (LRAC) – No report.

Transition Team – John Eaton reported for the Committee. They had a very interesting and informative meeting with some members of Wyoming UMC. This congregation recently built a \$7MM church and they are rapidly growing in membership. Our Transition Team will be using some of the ideas they learned as they prepare for our move to the new church. One project is a revised Mission Statement. The committee's next meeting is June 27 at 12 Noon.

Trustees – Mike Keim said work at the new site is progressing rapidly. The kitchen is expected to be approved within the next week. John Gladwell said that the Trustees will be seeking volunteers to help build a new shed to house the sprinkler system.

Capital Campaign Committee – A lot of help is needed to unload the shed and trailer and set up for the June 12 yard sale. There will be a change in the frequency of restaurant fundraisers. A Conley's shirt has been designed by Liz Marshall and will be going on sale soon.

Pastor's Report - Pastor Mike was on vacation; there was no report.

**Miscellaneous**

Carl Bartell asked the Council if they knew of the correct protocol for addressing the Christian Flag. All information on this subject should be submitted to Carl.

Lily Roadcap moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 P.M. Intercessory prayer concluded the evening.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jean Unruh, Secretary

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