

Administrative Board Meeting January 27, 2019

Board Chairman, Bill Daniels, welcomed everyone, gave the group a reminder to sign in and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Bill welcomed all the new 2019 member to the group.

LOVING

John Duncan provided the devotion and reminded the group to wear their name badges. John has been through a reflection period and is focusing on being more intentional. He urged the group to be intentional to look for ways to help, love and connect with others.

LEARNING

The group recited the vision statement.

Bill reviewed the Covenant Scoreboard and asked members to record the number of times they prayed for the leadership of our congregation on the notepad going around. The scoreboard count taken at the November 4, 2018 meeting showed that our leadership was covered in prayer 59% of the days between 11/4/2018 and 01/27/2019 meetings.

The minutes from the November 4, 2018 meeting were distributed to the board via email for review. Marie DeLockery mentioned that the date of the prior meeting's minutes was wrong and wanted to correct them. Bill called for a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Bill Bice moved that the corrected minutes be accepted with Pat Gary seconding the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

For the learning this year we will hear about the CUMC Core Values. They are: Scripture, Love, Humility, Servanthood and Mission. Rev. Atkinson spoke about the core value of Scripture.

LEADING

Business Reports

Treasurer's Report – David Jackson

Cash balances offered were for accounts reconciled as of December 31, 2018. Total cash balance of all accounts: \$906,762.18. Specific balance information is as follows:

● General Fund	\$ 60,635.84
● General Fund Reserve	\$ 42,000.00
● ALL IN (Bldg. Fund)	\$100,866.76
● Designated Funds (Memorial)	\$263,211.08
● Preschool	\$ 19,149.64
● Youth Fund	\$ 76,785.46
● Common Cup	\$ 23,867.98
● Mary Louise Cox Fund	\$212,266.11
● United Methodist Foundation (Mary Louise Cox)	\$107,979.31

Debt balance is \$4,262,056.90. There was a direct payment to the line of credit in the amount of \$52,000.00.

The total of the United Methodist Foundation Endowment accounts: \$221,302.36. Specific balance information is as follows:

- General Fund \$ 36,708.38
- Scholarship Fund \$ 13,053.75
- Property Fund \$ 23,774.73
- Mission Fund \$144,288.00
- Worship, Music & Organ \$ 3,477.50

Finance Report - Preston Carpenter

Preston went over the final 2018 finances. Total income was \$2,828,834.00 with total expenses of \$2,772,644.00 for a surplus of \$56,190.00. The **Preschool** 2018 total income was \$548,019.00 and total expenses of \$556,003.00 with a deficit of \$7,984.00. The **Common Cup** 2018 total income as of October was \$9,187.58 and expenses of \$6,843.63 for a surplus of \$2,343.95. Don Henigan confirmed that this surplus amount was approximately the same at the end of the year. Also coming this year – the Common Cup will be able to accept credit cards for purchases.

Preston went over the loan balances from 2017 and 2018. He explained that we had a debt reduction of \$431,000.00 approximately. We also paid off our line of credit (construction loan) in 2018. The church is \$465,000.00 less in debt that a year ago. It is estimated if we continue paying at the current rate, the total debt will be paid off in 8 years.

Preston went over the 2019 proposed budget. The last 12 months' income and expenses were reviewed in setting the 2019 budget. The total income proposed is \$2,784,632.00 with total expenses being the same amount. A year ago the Finance Committee voted to try to give 3% of annual giving to a Reserve Fund for unexpected expenses and \$71,536.00 is listed as a "wish list" or goal for the year. We currently have \$42,000.00 in the General Reserve Fund from May – December, 2018. Please see the attached handouts for more specific information.

Bill reviewed the motion being presented by the Finance Committee and reminded the group that it needs no second. Discussion ensued and questions were answered. Bill called to vote on the proposed 2019 budget (2/1/2019 – 1/31/2020) and the motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

SPRC Report –

Bill reported that Lindsay Carpenter will be serving 10 hours a week as a part-time music assistant with Blaine Tooley.

Trustee's Report – John McCarty

John reported that the Columbarium is completed. John reviewed the people majorly involved in the 7 year process of completing the columbarium project - Julie Smith, Bill and Julie O'Connor, Cindy Brewer, Cindy Ford, Scott Woodard, Sherry Douglas, Sandy Carpenter, Susan Watson, Curt Terry and Rev. Atkinson.

Council on Ministries – Marie DeLockery and Dr. Suddarth

For the last 3 and a half years under the leadership of our Senior pastor, the structure in our church has been making shifts. The adaptive team created our vision statement and strategic goals for the church. COM worked to live out and use the strategic goals within the missions of our church. Going forward, there will be a more 1-to-1 relationship between these two groups and COM chairs will continue to work with their assigned staff member.

Pastor’s Report – David Atkinson

Rev. David Atkinson voiced his appreciation for helping the church end up 2018 strong financially. This year work needs to be done on how to take a community group from an activity of the church further into the life of the church. We can’t take our community and stand-alone events and divorce it from worship. We need to find the way in which God is helping us use the events to move those people into a deeper relationship with God and the people of God – transition people from events to worship. Worship has to be compelling enough that we will move into discipleship and share or recommend our worship service to someone.

February 2019 is the called special conference for our church in St. Louis. Rev. Atkinson reminded us the whole issue is in God’s hands and that perfect love should cast out fear – so there should be no need to fear the outcome. February 23rd should be a day of prayer in anticipation of the conference from February 24-26.

Bill reminded the group that there are other important upcoming event dates at the bottom of the agenda. The next administrative board meeting will be April 14, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Bill offered the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Taylor
Recording Secretary