

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church

**CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES**

March 21, 2017 at 5:30 pm

Members present were Audrey Miller, Carolyn Steed, Harvey Lowd, Jim Holcomb, Karen Gooding, Kyle Brown, Laney Morris, Leigh Anne Bassinger, Lucille Duncan, Martha Jobe, Michael Byles, Nancy McKenzie, Pete Thompson, and Susan Hedrick. (The following members sent regret Bob Amos, Ella Russell, Laura Gibson, Mark Morgan, Meredith Morgan, and Whit Holbrook)

Staff members present were Erin Beall, Debbie Foust, Anne Carroll, Susan Sumpter, Jared Stine, Scott Howell, Steven Nelson, and Al Ward.

Pete Thompson called the meeting to order and Jared Stine offered prayer.

Harvey Lowd moved that the minutes from the February meeting be approved. Jim Holcomb seconded and the minutes were approved.

Scott Howell gave a financial summary. The first two months, the revenue has totaled about \$508,000 against a budget of \$484,000 and the expenses have totaled about \$266,000 against a budget of \$266,000. There is \$242,000 in excess cash. Wesley Memorial School also shows revenues ahead of budget and expenses below budget with excess cash of \$27,000.

Carolyn Steed reported for the Children's Ministries Team.

Susan Hedrick reported for the Wesley Memorial School.

Nancy McKenzie reported for the Congregational Care Team.

Steven Nelson reported for the Student Ministries Team.

Karen Gooding reported for Staff Parish Relations Team that Miriam and Al Ward have moved out of the parsonage, so the church could begin readying the parsonage for the next "parsonage family." She indicated that SPRT has heard nothing from the District Superintendent and didn't expect to do so until late next month (April).

Audrey Miller reported for the Mission and Community Impact Team. The Team recommends that the approval of the following mission grants: \$1000 to World Relief to pay for a water meter for a garden, \$1000 to the YWCA to support a fund for baby supplies, \$4500 for Wheels4Hope. The motion carried.

Al Ward reminded everyone of the Victoria Qubein Fund event on April 11 at 7:00 pm. Rev. Dr. Willie Jolley, an inspirational speaker and singer, will be featured. He encouraged everyone to attend.

Harvey Lowd, Nancy McKenzie, Laney Morris, Jim Holcomb, Erin Beall, and Jared Stine gave a spirited report on their participation in the Change the World Conference at Ginghamburg United Methodist Church in Tipp City, OH.

Submitted by Al Ward (for Laura Gibson)