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2022

**Aynor United
Methodist Church**

**Administrative Council
Meeting Minutes**

**AYNOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING**

March 27, 2022

Council Members present at 3/27/22 meeting:

Phyllis Morrison – Administrative Council Chair

Rachel Dawsey – Treasurer, Membership Secretary

Brad Dusenbury – Assistant Treasurer

Pamela Hucks – Financial Committee Chair Bucky Jordan – Youth Ministry

David Parker – UMM President, Alternate Lay Member to AC

Beth Davis – UMW President, Forever Young

Sylvia Page – Music Director

Craig Morrison – Recording Secretary, PPRC Chair

Catherine Johnson – Children’s Ministry & Lay Leader

Jessie Johnson – UMYF President

Patricia Whitner – Evangelism & Mission

Sara Whitner – Epworth Representative, Nuture

Bill Altman – Boy Scouts

Cindy Dawsey - Member at Large

Don Hopson – Member at Large

Britt Shelley – Member at Large

Brenda Alvarez – Member at Large

Katy Hucks – Member at Large

Freddie Gerrald – Lay Member to Annual Conference

Linda Gerrald – Sunday School Superintendent

Rev. Kelly Snelgrove

Dean James – Member at Large

Non Council Church Members Present:

Matt Snelgrove

March 27, 2022 Council Meeting

At 4:45 Pastor Kelly opened the meeting with a prayer.

Phyllis Morrison asked the Council members to review the meeting minutes from the October 3, 2021 and October 24, 2021 meetings. Brenda Alvarez made the motion to approve the meeting minutes. Sara Whitner seconded the motion. The Council then voted to approve the minutes as presented.

Pamela Hucks gave a review of the balances in the church accounts.

Brad Dusenbury said that the 1st quarter apportionments had been paid.

Rachel Dawsey had nothing to report.

Patricia Whitner said that meetings of the Evangelism and Mission committee had begun again. She spoke about the upcoming revival and that there would be flyers to put up. The Sunday night dinner would be pot luck. Monday night dinner would be provided by the men of the church and the kids. Tuesday night dinner would be provided by God's kitchen. Wednesday night dinner would be provided by the Hope Sunday School class. Patricia then spoke about providing a Hardees' biscuit breakfast for the teachers and staff of Aynor Elementary school before school is out. She then said the committee is looking to do something for unchurched people who lose someone.

Katy Hucks said that she would put information about the upcoming revival on the electric billboard.

Pastor Kelly then spoke about a love offering being taken up and asked if the church wanted to supplement the offering so that each minister would get at least a minimum amount to cover their expenses. There was then a discussion about love offerings. Sylvia Page said that each minister should get a certain amount. Pamela Hucks said that each minister should get the love offering collected each night. David Parker then suggested that the love offerings to the ministers could be supplemented up to \$200.00 each night out of the Evangelism fund. After further discussion David Parker made the motion that each minister should receive a minimum of \$200.00 and that the singing group should receive a minimum of \$500.00. Britt Shelley seconded the motion. The Council then approved the motion.

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Bucky Jordan then spoke about adding another light for the playground at a cost of \$88.88 per month. He also spoke about lighting up the parking area better. He then said it would cost \$800.00 to change out the church lights to LED. Catherine Johnson made a motion to approve these expenditures and Sylvia Page seconded the motion. The Council then approved the motion. Sylvia asked Bucky when the lights would be replaced. Bucky said that the electrician had covid.

New Business.

Pastor Kelly said that Gethsemane wants us to go in with them in providing a meal for 100 people at Aynor High School on April 5, 2022. Catherine Johnson made a motion that we give a donation. David Parker seconded the motion. Catherine then made the motion that the donation be \$300.00. Don Hopkins seconded the motion. Don Hopkins then made the motion to take the money out of the Missions fund. Katy Hucks seconded the motion. The Council then approved the motions.

Pastor Kelly then said that the General Conference was postponed until 2024. On May 1, 2022 the Wesleyan Covenant Association announced the formation of The Global Methodist Church.

Pastor Kelly then closed the meeting with a prayer.

**AYNOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING**

June 26, 2022

Council Members present at 6/26/22 meeting:

Phyllis Morrison – Administrative Council Chair

Rachel Dawsey – Treasurer, Membership Secretary

Brad Dusenbury – Assistant Treasurer

Pamela Hucks – Financial Committee Chair

Jeffery Singleton – Financial Secretary

Mark Dawsey – Trustee

Beth Davis – UMW President, Forever Young

Sylvia Page – Music Director

Craig Morrison – Recording Secretary, PPRC Chair

Catherine Johnson – Children’s Ministry & Lay Leader

Jessie Johnson – UMYF President

Patricia Whitner – Evangelism & Missions

Freddie Gerrald – Lay Member to Annual Conference

Linda Gerrald – Sunday School Superintendent

Don Hopson – Member at Large

Brenda Alvarez – Member at Large

Dean James – Member at Large

Rev. Kelly Snelgrove

Non-Council Church Members Present:

Matt Snelgrove

June 26, 2022 Council Meeting

At 4:45 Pastor Kelly opened the meeting with a prayer.

Phyllis Morrison asked the Council members to review the meeting minutes from the March 27, 2022 meeting. Beth Davis made the motion to approve the meeting minutes. Sylvia Page seconded the motion. The Council then voted to approve the minutes as presented.

Pamela Hucks gave a review of the balances in the church accounts.

Brad Dusenbury pointed out that through 6/24/22 a total of \$83,503.00 had been spent and that \$110,557.00 had been received through offerings.

Catherine Johnson spoke about the "Safe Sanctuary Abuse Prevention Policy of Children, Youth and Vulnerable Adults" and asked the Council members to review and approve the updated policy. Sylvia Page made the motion to approve the updated policy. Jeffery Singleton seconded the motion. The Council voted to approve the updated Safe Sanctuary Policy. Pastor Kelly said the church had to go by this policy or insurance would not cover an incident.

Linda Gerrald then asked when does the information on the drivers of the church bus have to be updated for insurance purposes. Pastor Kelly said there was an approved list of drivers that had been submitted to the insurance company. An updated list should be submitted to the insurance company upon request. Linda then asked what the age limit is for being a church bus driver. Pastor Kelly said she would check.

Catherine Johnson then spoke about Vacation Bible School from July 10th to July 14th. There was a big banner to be put up, there would be on-line registration and name tags for every night.

June 26, 2022 Council Meeting

Patricia Whitner said the idea of providing a Hardee's biscuit breakfast for the teachers and staff at Aynor Elementary School turned out to be cost prohibitive. A donation of \$100.00 was made by the church for the April 5, 2022 lunch at Aynor High School.

Beth Davis reported that there were 25 people at this month's meeting of Forever Young. She spoke about Rick Williamson and his drug and bomb finding dog and the July trip to McBee for peaches.

Mark Dawsey spoke on behalf of the Trustees. He said new lights were being added for the parking area and that the flood lights were being changed to LED. He said no progress had been made on the work of changing the church sanctuary lights to LED.

Phyllis Morrison asked if the church wanted to have blow ups again at this year's Harvest Hoe-Down Festival. Catherine Johnson said that the church youth would like to keep this fund raising project. Pastor Kelly asked for a motion to have blow ups again at this year's Hoe-Down festival. Catherine Johnson made the motion and Dean James seconded it. The Council voted to have the blowups. Phyllis Morrison then asked if the money raised should go to the Youth Fund. Rachel Dawsey suggested that $\frac{1}{2}$ of the money raised to go in the Trustee account. After some discussion, it was decided to vote where the money raised from blowups would go at a later meeting.

Pastor Kelly then spoke about forming a committee to look into what it would take to move to another denominational conference. Pastor Kelly said that the Bishop does not want us to do anything until 2024. She said that the bishops would be chosen in the November 2022 conference. Pastor Kelly then mentioned that a number of churches in North Georgia had voted to disassociate with the United Methodist Church Conference.

After some discussion, Freddie Gerrald made the motion that the committee should be made up of a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 10 members. Jeffery Singleton seconded the motion. The Council voted that the explorative committee should be made up of 5 to 10 volunteers. Linda Gerrald volunteered to be on the committee.

Pastor Kelly then closed the meeting with a prayer at 5:50 PM.

**AYNOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING**

August 28, 2022

Council Members present at 8/28/22 meeting:

Phyllis Morrison – Administrative Council Chair
Rachel Dawsey – Treasurer, Membership Secretary
Brad Dusenbury – Assistant Treasurer
David Parker – UMM President, Alternate Lay Member
Pamela Hucks – Financial Committee Chair
Jeffery Singleton – Financial Secretary
Beth Davis – UMW President, Forever Young
Craig Morrison – Recording Secretary, PPRC Chair
Catherine Johnson – Children’s Ministry & Lay Leader
Christie Johnson – Family Ministries
Jeanne Doyle – Family Ministries
Bill Altman – Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts
Sara Whitner – Epworth Representative, Nuture
Bucky Jordan – Youth Ministry
Patricia Whitner – Evangelism & Missions
Freddie Gerrald – Lay Member to Annual Conference
Linda Gerrald – Sunday School Superintendent
Don Hopson – Member at Large
Cindy Dawsey – Member at Large
Britt Shelley – Member at Large
Dean James – Member at Large
Rev. Kelly Snelgrove
Non-Council Church Members Present:
Matt Snelgrove & Jamie Johnson

August 28, 2022 Council Meeting

At 4:35 Pastor Kelly opened the meeting with a prayer.

Phyllis Morrison asked the Council members to review the meeting minutes from the June 26, 2022 meeting. Catherine Johnson made the motion to approve the meeting minutes. David Parker seconded the motion. The Council then voted to approve the minutes as presented.

Pamela Hucks gave a review of the balances in the church accounts.

Brad Dusenbury pointed out that through 8/23/22 a total of \$108,122.00 had been spent and that \$159,640.00 had been received through offerings.

Pastor Kelly then spoke on behalf of the Trustees concerning the church light project. She said that another electrician had been contacted about working on the lights. Mancill Electric had submitted a bid of \$20,493.41 to work on the lights. The church had 20 days to accept or reject this bid. Jamie Johnson pointed out that the church had already paid for the motorized lifts for the lights and that the money for the electrician's labor would have to come from the Trustee account. It was then agreed that not enough information was available for the Council to approve or disapprove the electrician's quote.

Bucky Jordan spoke on behalf the youth ministry. He pointed out that \$750.00 had been budgeted for use in the Hoe-Down festival. He said that the rental of the blowups would cost \$625.00. Bill Altman made the motion that $\frac{1}{2}$ of the money raised from the blowups go to the Youth and $\frac{1}{2}$ would go to be used for the lighting project. David Parker seconded the motion. The Council approved the motion.

Pastor Kelly reported for Sylvia that the Veteran's Day Service would be on November 6th and the Christmas Cantata would be on December 6th.

David Parker said that the Men of the Church would begin meeting again and spoke about the signup sheet.

Pastor Kelly then showed a 20 minute presentation of Rob Renfroe talking about the Global Methodist Church. Pastor Kelly then stated that the Bishop was forming a task force and that the Bishop was not allowing the South Carolina churches to pull out from the United Methodist Church.

August 28, 2022 Council Meeting

After some discussion about the Global Methodist Church, the Council was asked for volunteers to serve on the Way Forward Committee. Linda Gerrald, Don Hopson, Bill Altman, Jeanne Doyle, Pamela Hucks, Catherine Johnson, David Parker, Freddie Gerrald and Christie Johnson volunteered to serve. A motion was made by Catherine Johnson for the Council to recognize the 9 volunteers as members of the Way Forward committee. Britt Shelley seconded the motion. The Council then voted to recognize the volunteers as the Way Forward committee.

Matt Snelgrove then closed with prayer.

**AYNOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING**

September 4, 2022

Council Members present at 9/4/22 meeting:

Phyllis Morrison – Administrative Council Chair
Rachel Dawsey – Treasurer, Membership Secretary
Brad Dusenbury – Assistant Treasurer
Mark Dawsey - Trustee
David Parker – UMM President, Alternate Lay Member
Pamela Hucks – Financial Committee Chair
Craig Morrison – Recording Secretary, PPRC Chair
Catherine Johnson – Children’s Ministry & Lay Leader
Jessie Johnson – UMYF President
Jeanne Doyle – Family Ministries
Bill Altman – Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts
Bucky Jordan – Youth Ministry
Patricia Whitner – Evangelism & Missions
Sylvia Page – Music Director
Carlisle Dawsey – Church Historian
Janet Elliot – Member at Large
Don Hopson – Member at Large
Cindy Dawsey – Member at Large
Rev. Kelly Snelgrove
Non-Council Church Members Present:
Matt Snelgrove

September 4, 2022 Council Meeting

At 12:05 PM Mark Dawsey gave the Church Council an update on the light project on behalf the Trustees. Mark said that the church had received a bid from Mancill, Inc. for \$20,493.41. The bid includes all labor to install the four motorized lifts, new wiring, switches and the cost of renting a lift to work on the ceiling lights. The bid is good for 20 days from August 24, 2022. Mark showed one of the lifts that had already been bought by the church to raise and lower the chandeliers. He also said that the LED light bulbs had already been bought. Mark said the work could begin as early as a week after the bid is accepted.

In the conversation that followed, it was pointed out that the contractor needs to have insurance, that the church may be eligible for a rebate from Duke Energy for installing energy efficient lights, and that the church may want to receive more bids.

It was decided by the Council that it was not likely that more bids could be received before the existing bid expired on September 13, 2022.

Craig Morrison made the motion to accept the bid from Mancill, Inc. Sylvia Page seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote to authorize the Trustees to award the contract to Mancill, Inc.

The Council then adjourned.

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**AYNOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING**

October 9, 2022

Council Members present at 10/9/22 meeting:

Phyllis Morrison – Administrative Council Chair
Rachel Dawsey – Treasurer, Membership Secretary
Brad Dusenbury – Assistant Treasurer
Jeffery Singleton – Financial Secretary
David Parker – UMM President, Alternate Lay Member
Pamela Hucks – Financial Committee Chair
Craig Morrison – Recording Secretary, PPRC Chair
Bill Altman – Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts
Patricia Whitner – Evangelism & Missions
Sylvia Page – Music Director
Freddie Gerrald – Lay Member to Annual Conference
Linda Gerrald – Sunday School Superintendent
Brenda Alvarez – Member at Large
Don Hopson – Member at Large
Cindy Dawsey – Member at Large
Dean James – Member at Large
Britt Shelley – Member at Large
Rev. Kelly Snelgrove
Non-Council Church Members Present:
Matt Snelgrove

October 9, 2022 Council Meeting

At 4:30 Pastor Kelly opened the meeting with prayer.

Phyllis Morrison asked the Council members to review the minutes from the 8/28/22 and 9/4/22 Council meetings. Rachel Dawsey made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Patricia Whitner seconded the motion. The Council then voted to approve the minutes from the 8/28/22 and 9/4/22 meetings as presented.

Pamela Hucks presented and reviewed the budget for 2023. She said that there was about a 7% increase in the budget from 2022. The biggest changes came from increases in the Senior Adult Ministry, the Pastor's salary, the cleaning service, and Vacation Bible School. Two additions to the budget are Special Meals Ministry and Children's Meals Program. Catherine Johnson made the motion to approve the budget. Sarah Whitner seconded the motion. The Council then voted to approve the 2023 budget.

Brad Dusenbury then gave a report on the church financials through 10/9/22.

Catherine Johnson thanked the Council for approving the Children's Meals Program.

David Parker spoke about the upcoming Men of The Church meeting in which Paul Butler would be the guest speaker.

Sylvia Page spoke about the upcoming Veteran's Day program on November 6th and the Christmas Cantata on December 4th.

Catherine Johnson said the children's Christmas program would be on December 11th.

Sarah Whitner said that God's kitchen was doing well and that 60 meals had been served.

Pastor Kelly presented and spoke about the nominations reports that would be presented for approval at the October 27, 2022 Charge Conference. Pastor Kelly mentioned one addition to the list. She said that Jackie Winburn was being added to the nominating committee.

David Parker spoke about the Way Forward Committee. The petition letter, that was signed by 70 parishioners, had been delivered to the Bishop in the last 2 days.

October 9, 2022 Council Meeting

David said that the Way Forward committee would meet again in the coming week. He also said that the Methodist Conference Board of Trustees was close to making a recommendation to the Bishop on an equitable means of going forward. At this time, no church in South Carolina was disaffiliating. David said that Morgan Martin had offered to help the Church secure an attorney if legal action became necessary.

There was a discussion as to when the Discernment Process started. Bill Altman made the motion to make the formal declaration that the Discernment Process began at the Council meeting on September 14, 2022. Catherine Johnson seconded the motion. The Council voted to declare that the Process of Discernment began with the September 14, 2022 Council meeting.

There was then a discussion as to how voting may be conducted on disaffiliating.

Pastor Kelly than spoke about the light improvement and installation work.

At 5:10 Pastor Kelly than closed the Council meeting with a prayer.

The Council then adjourned.