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Opened with Prayer by Pastor Don

Minutes Minutes approved as read. Please note that minutes are available on the hall shelf outside the church office on the day of the council meeting. Please pick up your copy and read ahead of time and bring your copy with you to the meeting.

Old Business Regarding the renaming of the Endowment Fund to the Ed Meyer Endowment Fund: On request of Marilyn Meyer, Don Caywood removed the previous tabled motion to rename the fund.

Treasurer Report See written report. Fred explained the overages and indicated new line items this year. Q. Pastor Don asked if church times should be listed in the Messenger. A. Linda Kidd indicated they should be and she would check with the Messenger office. Moved by Abby Caywood, 2nd by Bruce Motsinger to accept the Treasurer’s report. Motion passed.

Moved by Ron Garling, 2nd by Bruce Motsinger that budget item missions reflect the missionary support and should be $1,200; An increase in insurance expenses will add $120 per year to the Pastor’s salary; and mileage rate has increased by 2 cents a mile (34.5 cents). Motion passed.

Trustees Ron Garling reported on possibility of purchasing the lot across the street from church for a parking lot with a firm price of $65,000 and with approximately 16,000 in improvements to turn it into a parking lot. Moved by Bruce Motsinger to pursue the purchase of that property for the amount of $65,000 plus the necessary repairs of $16,000 (total not to exceed $81,000) as that property becomes available and pursuant to the guidelines in the Book of Disciple. 2nd, by Betty Smith. Motion passed. Q. Are moneys available or will financing need to be considered? A. Probably have enough to cover the upgrading of the property but would have to mortgage the purchase of the property.

Ice Maker - Marilyn Meyer stated she could give Ron information on source and the amount was around $1700.

Sanctuary carpet cleaning will take place sometime later in January.

PPRC Committee has completed evaluation of Pastor Don and the church ministry and the report has been sent to the district.

Missions Moved by Ruth Tonsing, 2nd by Abby Caywood to support the Africa University School of Theology over the next four years by raising $2100 per year.

Endowment Met and went over duties. Current funds in accounts: General fund: $24,258.98; Scholarship fund: $31,536.08. Interest on the scholarship fund is used for the yearly scholarships.

Worship Jane Fairburn reported the committee has expanded to include Jerry Rohr (Children’s Sermonette Presenters) and Judy Motsinger (8:30 Ushers/Greeters; Nursery) and Karen Wright (11:30 Greeters). An added responsibility to the Ushers will be to police the pews and hymnbooks after the services. We are making an effort to get a clip on or wrap around the neck microphone for the children sermonette presenters. In the spring there will be a baptismal renewal service.

Education We have meet our goal of over 100 in attendance at Sunday School. The church school brochure will be expanded to cover other areas but you must get your committee or groups information to Abby Caywood.

Assimilation Committee Loaf of bread is being presented to first time visitors. We are getting more people to help set up visits for Pastor Don. Also, get pictures of visitors and place on the bulletin board with names.

Youth Report of youth’s activities since October. Children’s choir has begun. See written report. 12-15 members each meeting.

Adult/Family Julia Delbert resigned her position and is helping the new chp. Linda Bowsher to get things set up. A special thank you to Julia for all her wonderful work.

UMM Thank you for the great turn out at the pancake supper. Will try to make the UMM meetings more spiritually enhanced and to have more personal devotion. We will also try to recruit new members. Mark calendars for the Sweetheart Dinner, Feb. 15, 6:00 p.m. at Hickory Knob. Tickets are $12.50 per person. We will visit Faith Home in Greenwood in March. We will lead the Mother’s Day service. And we will do the Easter sunrise continental breakfast.

UMW Unit meeting Jan 30 with speaker on History of the UMWM.

Flower Committee The flower calendar is slowly filling up with names.

Parish Nurse Program: Beth Dowtin reported the purpose to provide organization to McUMC fellowship through a collaboration of existing groups we have within our church body and to meet physical, emotional and spiritual needs of members by touching them with visits, meals, and pray times. Visitation has started. Goal: Provide members with a sense of purpose, spiritual enhancement, and satisfaction of spiritual and emotional needs. Programs: Care visits to the home, Bible study for those that are isolated, assisted living, CPR classes, etc.

Directory Directories are at Life Touch and should be arriving soon. Thank you to Abby Caywood for all the pictures used in the directory.

Piano Dottie Caster reported a need for a $250 purchase of dollies to move the fellowship hall piano. Asked to turn in the request to the Finance Committee.

Chairman’s Remarks Chp. Christman acknowledged Dottie Caster’s thank you note.
OPENING with prayer by Pastor Don Clendaniel. Attendance: 25.

OPENING REMARKS Welcome back to Ann Clendaniel and introduction of Adult/Family Life Coordinator, Linda Bowsher.

MINUTES Moved by Abby Caywood, 2nd by Bruce Mottsinger. Motion Passed.

TREASURERS REPORT (See written report). Additional explanation: Fred Harbold explained the budget format and indicated that line 301 increased by $120 to pay medical insurance increase; line 405 increase of $1000.00; line 329 & 330 moved to church other; line 417 expense of annual membership fee for the lot in Savannah Lakes (donated to the church) and for expense of the $31.00 monthly for the South Carolina road and utility tax. This will not appear again on budget until next year. Line 533 - Purchase of large supply of light bulbs. Line 916 will become fund for mission of raising $2,100.00 for the African University. 921 & 927 will close out to the operating fund. Moved by Bruce Mottsinger, 2nd by Jack Alfordson. Motion passed.

TRUSTEES Ron Garling reported on the ice machine: 3 bids ($1800, 1950, 2300) This project will be on hold until we can figure out where to connect it into the water and have a drain available for it. Spent $370 to clean carpeting in church and parsonage. The old sofas in upstairs classrooms will be donated to anyone that would like them and folding chairs purchased in their place. We have obtained the services of the Garrett law firm and Ann Seymour as the paralegal for the purchase of the lot across the street from the church. Dot Bandy at Regions Bank will do the loan application. Moved by Ron Garling, 2nd by Bruce Mottsinger to establish a $65,000.00 loan at the expense of $632.95 monthly. (5 year note with a with a 15 year moratorium at 8.25 % interest. The 5 year period is a fixed interest rate after that it will be a floating interest rate. Motion passed. The new property is considered non-worship area and will be taxable property. We will be paving and maintaining 30 feet by 100 feet of Hugh Brown’s property that is against his building. Q. Would we have to have a vendor license to have the bazaar in the new parking lot? A. Will check it out.

PPRC Committee will go to the training workshop on February 18.

MISSIONS African University project is moving along.

EVANGELISM Care group is getting updated.

ENDOWMENT General fund: $ 25,691.48; $33,183.18.

WORSHIP Jane Fairburn, Chp. reported that letters have been sent to all children’s sermonette presenters and greeters for the first six months of the year and a schedule for the entire year for the 11:00 ushers. Lapel mic is in use for children sermon presenters. Colored pencils have been purchased and activity sheets available for children. Special seating will be available for those with limited mobility in the first two rows of the organ side of the church. This will not have a reserve sign put on it. The John de la Howe youth will seated on the piano side of the church. A baptismal renewal service will be on Feb. 18. Trying to work out the problem of wheelchairs in the middle aisle when the choir comes in.

Suggestions were presented on ways to make it more compatible for the wheelchair user and the choir’s processional.

YOUTH Among the many MYF activities there will be a Valentine’s party, lock in, pizza party, a clean up day. Ten children have expressed desire to go to Epworth camp at a cost of $&.70 per day per child for 10 days. Pastor Don will get the swim party scheduled.

FAMILY MINISTRIES A trip to Gatlinburg, talent show, picnic and New Years Eve celebration.

UMM Valentine Dinner is a 104 ticket sell out. There were 29 in attendance at the last meeting.

UMW January 27 three women went to the District meeting in Saluda. Jan 30, 18 members attended the unit meeting. The Spiritual Life retreat will be May 4 & 5 and May 5 & 6.

CHURCH HOSTESS Lenten lunch has been lined up. One day available for anyone that wishes to help.

PASTORS REPORT See written report. There are 34 more prospects for membership. There was a record attendance on January 7 at the first Sunday assembly. Pastor Don asked the UMM to coordinate a breakfast early on a Sunday morning for pastors to discuss the school issue by the Blue Ribbon Task Force. Would the church like to sponsor another work team to Kentucky Red Bird Mission in Kentucky? There was a discussion of doing an away mission. Pointed out that away missions give fellowship and bonding of members and generate more volunteerism. We could do a local mission on Habitat for Humanity. If we do a local mission will we set a week to work and do it? Application for going to Red Bird is about April. The church should consider a local Habitat for Humanity team. Amount for application and supplies is contained within the Missions Budget line.

OFFICE EQUIPMENT Moved by Betty Smith, 2nd by Ron Garling to purchase digital camera and computer equipment to be able to document activities of the church and to update the pictorial directory. Motion passed. The old copier has been put into the library with a cost of $20.00 per month per 500 copies. There will be a sign up sheet and Linda will keep track of usage. Personal copies will be on a pay per sheet basis.

NURTURE Focusing on how to keep new Sunday School class members that were in Dr. Titus’ class. Maybe even meet on a different day.

Also, we have teenagers in the church whose needs are not being met by the church. Considering Ann taking a new class of teenagers and Buddy Rushton taking the John de la Howe class. An honorarium was presented to Dr. Titus for teaching the new member class. Stewardship moments will be presented once a month. March 4 will be first Sunday assembly at 9:30 a.m. We will have a speaker from the St. John’s Island summer ministries. There will be no Sunday School that morning. A youth weekend mission to St. John’s Island is being considered. Abby Caywood needs to have the information from each area chairperson to develop the church brochure. Q. Could we establish a web site? A. Not yet, but it is being considered and Abby will defer to anyone with knowledge in this area.

LANDSCAPING Turn in landscaping ideas to Archie Lewis. There are funds allocated for landscaping at the church, parsonage and the new parking lot.

PARISH NURSE COMMITTEE There will be a meeting with Self Memorial at St. Mark’s church.

DIRECTORIES Moved by Jane Fairburn, 2nd by Ron Garling to purchase 100 directories for a cost of $600. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT with prayer by Pastor Don. Next meeting will be March 11, 2001 at 7:00 p.m.
The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Wayne Christian. Bob Shade gave the opening prayer. Attendance: 18.

Minutes: Minutes were approved with one correction. Under “Church Hostess”, the second sentence should read “Anyone wishing to help should contact one of the Circles.”

Treasurer’s Report: Written report is attached hereto. Fred Harbold explained the report with emphasis on areas where a large percentage of the budget has been used. Jack Alfredson asked why income information is not included in the report. A discussion followed. Bruce Motsinger made a motion to include income information in future reports. Abbie Caywood seconded, and the motion carried.

Trustees: Ron Garling reported that he does not have an answer to the question asked last month about Vendor’s License. Additionally he reported that the Contractor has been contacted to begin the paving process. A re-bid was received from the paving company to include 6” base rather than the 4” base originally figured. That figure was $1600 more than the original bid. The total is now $15,929, which is just under the amount budgeted for the job. It should be underway by March 15. Ron also reported that he and Bruce Motsinger met with the Custodian to discuss the care of the Social Hall floor. The cost to purchase equipment for cleaning and maintaining the floor properly was approximately $1960. They found a man who would do the work using his own equipment for $425 for the initial first step. He will return every two months @ $75 per cleaning on a one year trial basis.

PPRC Bruce Motsinger reported that the Committee will meet on April 10 at 7 P.M. at the Parsonage for the annual review. He requested that one member of the Trustees be present.

Missions: Ruth Tonsing reported a disappointing monetary response on the African University to date. Approximately $100 has been contributed to date.

Endowment: Gail Nordyke reported that as of March 8, 2001 the Scholarship Fund total is $33, 183.18, including $1647.10 which is available for scholarships. The General Fund contains $25,856.49. He stated that this is over halfway to the $50,000 mark when specified fund may begin to be used. The Committee will consider promotional projects for the church membership.

Worship: Jane Fairburn reported that the next meeting is scheduled for March 20.

Abbie Caywood reported that a camera for the computer has been purchased and was under the budgeted amount.

Assimilation Committee: Marilyn Meyer named the members that have been added to the committee. They will meet in March and will plan to use the new camera to take pictures of newcomers that will then be displayed on a bulletin board. A discussion followed. Abbie stated that a new stationary bulletin board has been purchased and would be mounted in the Social Hall. Marilyn prefers a smaller bulletin board mounted on an easel so it can be moved from place to place. No decision was made.

UMM: Bruce Motsinger reported they have a trip to Atlanta to a Hockey Game on March 16th. The men will host a breakfast for the Blue Ribbon Committee on Sunday, March 18 for local ministers.

UMW: Ruth Tonsing reported for Betty Standridge. Twenty ladies will attend the May meeting at Lake Junaluska. Six went to the Troy Church for Prayer and self-denial.

Betty Nordyke, Lay Representative for a called of the UMC, reported that Rev. Whitaker was elected Bishop of Florida.

Flowers: Matilda Freeland asked in anyone knew the purpose of a particular container located in vestibule of the church – answer: it is probably an umbrella stand. She stated that lilies for Easter would be taken care of through the office. Her committee will be responsible for traditional palms for Palm Sunday.

The Pastor’s Report was given by Abbie Caywood in the absence of the Pastor. The written report is attached hereto. Item #9 related to participation of a KY work-team. Karen Wright made a motion to spend $100 for registration of the Kentucky work-team. Bruce Motsinger seconded the motion, and the motion carried. No date has been set for the group who will be going. Item #12 – date was corrected to 4/12. Item #13 related to the use of the sanctuary for a wedding by outside folks. The Council was in general agreement that this would be fine if it was understood the sanctuary would be ready for Sunday use and necessary fees for cleaning were paid.
Finance Committee: Marv Hofmann announced the need for more Counters for Sunday mornings. Both Wayne Christian and Abbie Caywood volunteered for 4th Sundays.

Youth: Sally Culpepper announced a “Lock-in” for Friday night, March 15 and invited everyone to come and help. Karen Wright expressed appreciation for the great support that various units of the church have given for the Lock-in and she also stated she has tickets for the Spaghetti Supper, a fundraiser for the Youth.

Bruce Motsinger stated that the PPRC members had attended a training session in Greenwood. Additionally he discussed a letter received by the District Superintendent regarding the sexual harassment policy of the church. The existing policy will be discussed with each employee.

Church Hostess – Betty Nordyke stated that Soup and Cornbread luncheons have been going well. Many other activities have been going on utilizing the Social Hall. Recently the church hosted a family meal for an out of town family who was here for a funeral.

Miscellaneous items:
Gail Nordyke announced Lay Speaker’s School, district level and Lay Speaking Conference, state level, have been scheduled and urged participation in both. He requested that he be certified to attend the State Conference on April 20-22. Abbie Caywood made a motion to certify Gail to attend, Tillie Freeland seconded, and the motion carried.
Bob Schade, Grounds Committee asked about landscaping plans for the new parking area. Ron Garling stated that there would be a 5-ft. strip, which will decrease to 2 ft. by the sidewalk. This strip will be suitable for some form of landscaping. It was mentioned that the Men’s Group might like to help with the project.
Wayne Christman ask about setting up special accounts with Don Wilson’s Station and with Huddle House in order to give gasoline or food to people who stop by the church with such needs. Ruth Tonsing said the Missions Fund has plenty of money to fund this. The Pastor and Finance Chairman will make the necessary arrangements.

Gail Nordyke gave the benediction & the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be on April 8, 2001 at 7:00 P.M.

Attendance: Bruce Motsinger, Marilyn Meyer, Abbie Caywood, Karen Wright, Sally Culpepper, Bet Dombrowski, Fred Harbold, Marv Hofmann, Jerry Nettles, Wayne Christman, Ron Garling, Bob Schade, Jack Alfredson, Gail Nordyke, Ruth Tonsing, Betty Nordyke, Matilda Freeland and Jane Fairburn.
McKown United Methodist Church
Administrative Council
August 12, 2001

OPEN with prayer by Pastor Don Clendaniel

MINUTES Moved by Jerry Nettles, 2nd Ron Garling to accept minutes of July meeting. Motion passed.

TREASURER REPORT See written report. Other notes: Last month had more expenses than income however, still in good shape for year-to-date. Will be a correction to the Endowment amount on next month. Line 323 went over due to purchase of new computer; Line 328, had two months of rent and two months of maintenance; Line 404 went over due to larger VBS; line 405 had Henderson Settlement supplies paid through this line; Bruce Motinger fee to go to International UMM Conference in Indiana; line 533 church parking lot new signs, church floor maintenance, paper supplies. On balance sheet Operating line includes designated funds and scholarship to be awarded. Ruth will call Sally Culpepper to let Fred know what scholarship amounts will be so checks will be ready for presentation next week. Line 917 Missions, includes the proceeds from van sale ($6,100) to be used for local missions. Line 910 & 913 are temporary collection funds for youth/stars.

Question: How long will the church be paying rent for adopted family out of the missions funds? When will they be self-sufficient? Family has been approved for HUD funds but she is 203 on the list and therefore will take months to receive. Money may be available by first of year. She has been evaluated for the Welfare to Work programs and working with someone on the literacy guild. Is waiting for a group to form. If she had transportation the counselor said she could be placed in a job immediately in Abbeville. Adopted family mother is willing to do any type of work to get funds to offset rent amount.

Question: Are there other churches in area to help? Pastor Don indicated he will check with ministerial group.

Question: Would it be appropriate for church to use some of the proceeds from the sale of the van to help fund transportation for the adopted family? Could the insurance be paid by the family? Chairman asked council to take home all suggestions and consider then next month we will make some decisions.

Moved by Marv Hoffmann, 2nd by Ron Garling to accept report of Treasurer. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY Use the form to make out your committee's budget and turn in by September 1.

On Sundays, usher in charge will put the offerings into the locked office. Pastor Don will put into the locked closet after the 1st service.

TRUSTEES Trustee Chp. has checked on the insurance and we have a clause to cover employees on sexual related liability working in the nursery. Insurance covers: $1,000,000 on Pastoral counseling, $500,000 employees, $300,000 for nursery employees. We are well covered in all areas. They will have to have a SLED check. May be a minimal charge for a SLED check. More dirt will be put around the parking lot curbs to support them. Cost of the parking lot was $65,000 plus $19,000 improvements of property. Bob Schade will develop a landscape plan for the parking lot and then form a committee to do the work. The church properties are insured for $1,285,000. Church properties assets are worth $1,541,000. Moved by Bruce Motinger, 2nd by Marv Hofmann to have an insurance man out to evaluate our insurance needs. Motion passed.

PPRC There are applicants. The pay will be competitive for two hours on Sunday. Pastor Don requested a change in the time for 10:00–12:30. There has been only one comment turned in on the janitorial care. If you have any comments please let Bruce know.

MISSIONS November 17, 2001

OUTREACH Will be serving a funeral meal for 100 on Tues.

ENDOWMENT Regular Endowment $27,451.48; Scholarship $31,851.08 Scholarship will be awarded to Cathy Miller, Hunter Clendaniel, and Candance Brown. Each will receive $679. The remainder will be reinvested.

EDUCATION Caywoods will teach Disciple I and Clendaniels will teach Disciple II.
ASSIMULATION  Notes are going out to visitors and new residents are being visited by Pastor Don.

YOUTH  Disciple for Teens is be considered. The teen must be committed to during this program. The Choir is started again on Aug. 29 as well as the MYF.

FAMILY LIFE  Church Picnic is Sept. 30. Sept. 16 will be Tommie Browne Day honoring all the dedicated work she has done through the years. It will also be her 90th birthday. There will be a luncheon after the worship service. Mary Eddy Lindley is in charge.

UMM  Bruce Motsinger thanked the church for allowing him to be a participant in the International UMM Conference. He purchased some videos for programs (one by Tony Capollo and one by the first female minister speaker at the National UMM speaking on “What Women Would like to Hear Men to Say”. UMM received a letter from the Rotary asking for help with the December Christmas Shopping experience. They ask our church to do a lunch and help the children do the wrapping. Will have a program for the church of a Conference presenter on Endowment.

UMW  Four members of our group, two representing our local unit and two representing the district, attended the School of Missions. On Sept. 29 the District meeting will be at St. Marks in Greenwood. Conference UMW will be Oct. 12-13 in Spartanburg. Each unit has adopted one the Tant children to purchase items to send them back to school.

PASTOR'S REPORT  See written report. In last two months 18 have joined. There was a discussion of the Long Range Planning committee. It was moved by Polly Prather to establish a Facility Long-Range Planning Committee consisting of seven members and to keep the Program Committee in effect. The nominating committee will present the names to the council at the next meeting. Second by Betty Smith and Bruce Motsinger. Motion passed. All parts of our facilities are to be looked at and possibly have professional help from the conference. Abbie will check with conference and see if there is a professional that can assist us with the facility planning.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE  Moved by Pastor Don and 2nd by Jerry Nettles to have an usher survey in the Sunday bulletin and the September Newsletter.

PROGRAM  Moved by Madge Wideman, 2nd by Bruce Motsinger to eliminate the 1st Sunday Church School Assembly and the 2nd Sunday Nursing Home program. Motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS  Moved by Bruce Motsinger, 2nd by Betty Smith to purchase a ¼ page advertisement in the Good Shepherd cookbook. Question: Are we being represented in all the areas written communications. Linda and Pastor Don will put together an advertisement to appear in the Sun. Marv will get Pastor Don a schedule of the SLV Newcomers’ Coffees so he can attend.

OTHER NOTES  The church doors are being left open. Marv Hoffman will fix the communicator. Door will be open 9 – noon. This notice will appear in the bulletin.
McCormick United Methodist Church  
Administrative Council  
September 16, 2001

OPENED with prayer by Pastor Don Clendaniel.

MINUTES: Moved by Jerry Nettles, 2nd Marv Hofmann to accept minutes of August meeting. Motion passed.

Wayne Christman read a letter written by the donor of the van who made suggestions as to the disbursements of funds from the sale. They were as follows:

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Last month a question was asked as to how long the church would continue helping adopted family? Pastor Don stated that the church has paid the rent for three months, but that the month of September, they would pay their own rent. They receive each month $245.00 from aid to dependent children and a voucher for $346.00. They are looking at moving to another house which rents for $200/month. They might need some individual help to make it livable. After much discussion, it was passed by Abbie Caywood and seconded by Madge Wideman that $2,135.00 of the $6,100.00 from the sale of the Van be put in a Contingency Fund to be dispersed by the Pastor to be used for whatever emergency that might arise. The motion passed.

It was also asked if any other churches in our area were helping? Pastor Don stated there were none.

TREASURER REPORT: See written report. Other notes: $1,000.00 was transferred from Operating Fund into Capital Improvement Fund. Of the $772.62 in the Scholarship Fund, including $512.62 which was returned from what was received to be distributed. Line 309 is a new account which is for Nursery help; Line 405 has been renamed from Missions to Mission Trips, Line 515 which was Tape Ministry is now Audio/Video. As of this date, we are 2/5 of the way through our Annual Budge having spent 65 1/2%. It was stated that Line 910 be renamed Mothers/Fathers Day bulletins; Line 911 has been designated as a Contingency Fund from the sale of the Van. It was moved by Jerry Nettles and seconded by Ron Garling to accept the report of Treasurer.

BUDGET: Marv Hofmann reported that the Proposed 2002 Budget of $178,000.00 will be presented to the congregation. A motion was moved by Sally Culpepper and seconded by Ron Garling to accept this Proposed Budget. Motion passed. A question was asked if the mortgage which the church has on the parking lot came out of the budget. Marv stated that it did not, it is paid out of the Capital Improvement Fund.
TRUSTEES: Last month a question was presented as to how often we get evaluated on our insurance coverage? Ron Garling stated that a representative is sent out once a year (June) to evaluate our coverage on our policies. He stated that we have adequate coverage, but for a nominal fee, we could add additional coverage; so, $30,000.00 additional coverage was added on the church over and above face value of policy and $2,000.00 additional on Parsonage over and above face value. The policy will come due October 2002. Ron also thanked all the men who helped move dirt for the curbs. He also stated that there are 24 light bulbs out in the Sanctuary, but we need to figure out a way to get up there so that they can be replaced.

PPRC: Custodial Service is working satisfactorily. Improvements are being made on the interior, but there are still things to be done to the exterior.

YOUTH: Have reduced the meeting time of the MYF to 30 minutes and 30 minutes for the choir for a total time of one hour due to the fact that they meet on a school night. There are 18 on roll and 17 of that number attend. The youth will continue their fund-raising project through October 15th.

UMM: A Pancake Supper will be held on October 12th. Tickets are $4.00 and twelve under $2.00. A gentlemen from the S. C. Endowment Foundation will speak on October 2nd. Everyone is invited to attend. Gail Nordyke will be cooking. A motion was made for the men to assist Roger Wideman in building a ramp for James White, Jr. It was presented by Sally Culpepper and 2nd by Marv Hofmann. The motion carried.

UMW: Betty Standridge reported that there are two scheduled events. One is a District Meeting to be held in Greenwood on September 29th. Also, the Annual Conference Meeting of the UMW will be held in Spartanburg on October 12th. The New UMW officers for the 2002 year are as follows: President - Ruth Tonsing, Vice-President - Carol Bailey, Secretary - Melanie Zeigler, and Treasurer - Lorraine Shealy.

PRISON FELLOWSHIP: Pastor Don will check to see if Betty Nordyke will be in charge of the Angel Tree Project again this year.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Marv Hofmann stated that he was working on a new proposal for a sound system for the church. This proposal will be presented at a later meeting after Marv has worked out a breakdown of the cost. Already in our Budget is money for a wireless mike and transistors for the hearing impaired.

PASTOR’S REPORT: See written report. The Kentucky work team experience was very successful. The Disciple Bible Study 1 & 11 started August 30th. The Lander chorus is scheduled to sing November 11th, which is their only open date. Therefore, the Administrative Council and Finance Meeting had to be re-scheduled. The November Meeting will be held on November 4th. A Long Range Planning Committee has been named (Jo Burch, Tryon Thompson, Bob Schade, Fred Tonsing, Ron Garling, Gail Nordyke, Jack Alfredson). Abbie Caywood made a motion to accept this list and Jerry Nettles seconded. Motion carried to accept these individuals to head up the Long Range Planning Committee.

OTHER NOTES: Dottie stated that the choir would like to practice in the Fellowship Hall due to the increase in choir members and the ventilation in the Choir Room is a problem with that many people in the room. Also, the City Police are making daily checks on the church doors.
McCormick United Methodist Church
Administrative Council
October 14, 2001

Chairman Wayne Christman called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. He asked Pastor Don Clendaniel to open with prayer.

Chairman Christman brought an administrative item before the Council. He asked for funds for two outings for the Acolytes. Acolyte Chairman Carolyn Trantham takes the acolytes on an outing two outings per year, usually consisting bowling and a light meal. A motion was made, seconded and approved to allot up to $200 per outing.

Minutes: Minutes of the previous meeting were approved with one typographical correction. The motion was made by Bruce Motsinger and was seconded by Jerry Nettles.

Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Fred Harbold introduced newly elected Treasurer Rick Lindley. Fred stated he had redesigned the front of the written report to include Capital Improvements information. Bruce Motsinger moved, seconded by Ron Garling, that the Treasurer’s Report be accepted as presented. The motion passed. Treasurer’s Report is attached hereto.

Trustees Report: Ron Garling reported that the Trustees are busy trying to complete several projects before the end of the year. Landscaping of the parking lot is underway. Repairs have been made to the ceiling at the parsonage. It is anticipated that some window treatments will be replaced at the parsonage. Some insurance issues have been addressed including obtaining additional coverage as per the September meeting of the Administrative Council. There has been a request that lighting be provided for the parking lot behind the church. This is being considered.

PPRC: Bruce Motsinger reported that the previously scheduled meeting has been postponed to November 8th.

Missions: Ruth Tonsing reported that everything is on schedule relating to the Bazaar scheduled for November 17th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. She also reported that for a number of years the South Carolina UMW have been working on a history book. It has now been published and the cost is $7.50 per copy. See Ruth if interested in obtaining a copy.

Endowment Committee: Gail Nordyke reported a principal book value of balance of $30,808.70 in the Endowment Fund and $32,808.70 in the Scholarship Fund. Additionally he reported that Rev. Roger Gramling, President of the South Carolina Methodist Foundation, spoke at the Endowment Fund dinner on October 2nd. He expressed his appreciation to the UMM for hosting the dinner which was well attended. Endowment report is attached hereto.

Worship Committee: Jane Fairburn brought several items to the Council. The Worship Committee recommended that photography not be permitted in the sanctuary during Sunday worship services. Discussion followed and the request to refrain from taking pictures during Sunday worship services be placed in the Newsletter. Jane announced that Nursery Workers had been hired. Unfortunately only one of the two hired is working out so the PPRC will try to fill the other position. Because of the 50 years of dedicated service of Vera Moore and 20 years of dedicated service of Elaine Baggett in the Nursery during the Sunday School hour, it was decided that a plaque be placed outside the Nursery to honor them and that they be presented
with a special momento during a Worship Service. Jane Fairburn made the motion and Dottie Caster seconded it. Additionally, Jane brought up the concept of establishing a Children’s Church. This was discussed but no conclusion was reached.

**Assimilation Committee:** Marilyn Meyer reported that things are going well and that the Committee has had positive feedback from visitors who have received letters from the Committee. The letters are sent on Pastor Don’s behalf and are signed “Pastor Don and the Church Family.” The Assimilation does the following: They first contact new residents with a phone call; secondly they write notes; all out of town visitors who sign and put their address in the register get a note; they Schedule Pastor’s visits and then make follow-up calls after he visits.

**Youth:** Linda Rushton reported that the MYF is sponsoring a Fall Festival and is in need of help with games and food and workers. The Festival is not just for the youth, but for all ages. She reported that the tee shirt sales had not quite reached the goal set. The Youth are raising money to send to UMCOR.

**United Methodist Men:** Bruce Motsinger reported that the Pancake Supper held on October 12th was highly successful, banner turnout and good profit. The UMM has completed the building of a ramp for a lady who lives in Troy. He expressed appreciation to Roger Wideman for his leadership in the ramp project. The UMM will be providing luncheons for the McCormick Rotary Club during the month of December.

Bruce Motsinger further reported that he is on a 3-member subcommittee of the Finance Committee, which administers the funds in the Memorial Fund. That fund has been pulled out of the Operating Budget. The subcommittee had been asked to buy new robes for the acolytes and for the youth choir. They approved money for 2 acolyte robes and up to 20 youth choir robes. He asked Dottie Caster to oversee the purchase of the choir robes.

**United Methodist Women:** Betty Standridge reported on that the Chrismon project is almost complete. The goal is 150 and almost 130 are finished. The ladies have enjoyed this project so much that they are thinking about continuing the weekly workshop in January and working on crafts for the 2002 church bazaar. She also reported that the last UMW Unit meeting for this year is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct 23rd in the Fellowship Hall with a covered dish dinner. They will recognize two inactive members who now reside in nursing homes by contributing a monetary gift for missions in their honor deemed a “Special Mission Recognition.” The honorees will also be presented a gold pin. Betty reported that four women attended the 29th Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Conference at Bethel UMC in Spartanburg on October 12th and 13th and came away richly rewarded by the experience. Wallace Life Family Center has not been able to use their bus for transporting children to and from the center because they don’t have money for bus insurance. The Executive Committee of the Conference made a recommendation that the 13 districts raise $12,000 by November 15th for the insurance to get the buses on the road again. Among other offerings given at the Spartanburg meeting was one for $404.45 for WTC victims fund. McCormick UMW will host 100 ladies for officer training for the Greenwood district on January 12, 2002. Betty stated that Ruth Tonsing is the incoming president of the UMW.

**Pastor’s Report:** Rev. Clendaniel reported that Worldwide Communion Sunday Service was a wonderful and memorable service. He also reported that Jan Rushton has come agree to teach the Sunday School Class for grades 1, 2 and 3 which Tina Smith and Marsha Brown have taught for a number of years. He moved that this be approved, Jane Fairburn seconded and the motion
carried. The Lander University Choir will perform at MUMC on November 11th at 7:00 p.m. A dessert reception will follow. He stated that the Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on November 18th at 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church with the Rev. J. C. Williams bringing the message. He said that MUMC has donated about $1000 for Relief related to the UTC disaster. There will be a Lifeline Screening at our church on Friday, November 30th. He discussed a Thanksgiving Questionnaire, which was included in the church bulletin today. The questionnaire asked for response to two proposals: (1) people to be part of a committee to host a community Thanksgiving Dinner at the church, or (2) those who would like to either host other church members in their home or be a guest in someone's home on Thanksgiving. Responses thus far are not conclusive. The Bishop's Retreat at Myrtle Beach is this coming week. Pastor Don and Ann will attend Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

**Parish Nurse:** Ann Clendaniel reported that BP screening will be scheduled on a Sunday in November. Beth Dowtin has been helping at the Senior Center with a grief and depression group. There will be a blood drive at our church after the first of the year. Ann asked the Council if the money which is designated in the budget as "mini wife retreat" money ($250) which she has not used, could be used for the teen class. She made a motion that $100 to be applied to the clown ministry and the other $150 be used to buy Teen Study Application Bibles. Marv Hofmann seconded and the motion carried.

**Public Relations:** Karen Wright stated that the ads her committee is over budget because of the cost of the newspaper ads. Much discussion followed. She will seek better rates by asking for an annual rate.

**Lay Leader:** Lorraine Shealy asked if she could get copies of pictures of new members which would help her as she recruits lay members to participate in services.

**Choir:** Dottie Caster mentioned the problem of the ventilation in the choir loft.

**Other business:** Ron Garling stated that four major projects, which the Trustees had brought to the Administrative Council, have been tabled. Those will now go to the Long Range Planning Committee.

Chairman Wayne Chrisman declared that there being no further business the meeting was adjourned. He asked Pastor Don to close the meeting with prayer.

McCormick United Methodist Church
Administrative Council Minutes
March 10, 2002

OPENED: The meeting was called to order by Chp. Christman. Gail Nordyke led in prayer. There were 18 in attendance.

MINUTES: The minutes were read and approved by Curtis Baggett and 2nd by Marilyn Meyer with two exceptions:
1. There is $4600 in the Memorial Fund -- not $2600 as reported.
2. The endowment and Scholarship Fund Committee Report was inadvertently left out of the minutes for February.

TREASURER REPORT: (see written report) Thus far this year we are under budget.
(Q) We had appropriated $300 for School of Missions, but report shows -$300. Is money still there?
(A) Yes
(Q) We had over $5,000 in handbells showing in February and now are showing $4,890.
(A) The difference is that 25% was used as a down-payment. It was moved by Curtis Baggett that we accept the Treasurer's Report and 2nd by Bruce Motsinger.

TRUSTEES: Chp. Byron Thompson reported on the Trustees Meeting. Items discussed were:
* Making rest rooms handicap accessible.
* Replacement of furnace at a cost of $15,000 - $18,000.
* Physical structure of church.
Items approved were as follows:
* Landscaping of parking lot.
* Windows for parsonage (at a cost of $7,150, plus $2,000 for window treatments).
* Moving one piano to Parsonage and giving one to an area church.
  It was suggested that Pastor Don, along with a member of Missions, present the piano.

ENDOWMENT: Gail Nordyke reported that balances as of March 10, 2002 in the Endowment and Scholarship Funds were as follows:
* Endowment - $38,180.63
* Scholarship - $33,288.70
Both include offering for February.

PPRC: Bruce Motsinger reported (see written report) on the position being considered to assist Pastor Don with his duties. This will be a part-time position working 20 hours per week. Qualifications of duties were approved by PPRC and presented to the Administrative Council. After discussion by the board, these qualifications were modified to change the wording by deleting
the word "Administer" to "Oversee the Development of the Budget". Also added under qualifications:
* Work with lay membership.
* Reporting Relationships.

A motion was made by Curtis Baggett and 2nd by Marv Hofmann to approve the five months salary ($6,300) for the remainder of 2002. The motion carried.

**WORSHIP:** Due to the lack of participation in the children’s choir, it has been temporarily disbanded.

**EDUCATION:** Curtis Baggett reported that they were working to increase the Sunday School attendance. Meeting with teachers to get their recommendations.

**WITNESS:** Lindy Stahlman stated that we should all share what God has done in our lives through witness and testimony.

**OUTREACH:** (see written report)
* A Mobile Missions Collection Center is being established to draw attention to certain needs.
* Appalachian work team will again go to Frakes, Kentucky.
* Nothing definite yet on mission to Panama.
* Have begun planning 2002 Missions Bazaar.

**PARISH NURSE:**
* Blood drive coming up.
* CPR class in April.
* Eye Screening.
* Need to reach community and church members that are hospitalized.
* Mentioned the need for a separate phone line.

**ASSIMILATION:** Marilyn Meyer reported on a possible new member joining the church.

**LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE:** Held another committee meeting to discuss purchasing the old Post Office with possibly having an architectural firm come in and come up with a long range plan that could be done in phases. Gail Nordyke presented to the Board some illustrations for renovations to the church that he had posted in the Fellowship Hall for review. All ideas were discussed at length. Betty Nordyke made a motion that we give the committee another 30 days to weigh all options and report back to the Board next month. It was seconded by Fred Tonsing.

**GROUNDS:** The meter and connection hose have been completed. The church will be getting a third water bill. Landscaping will begin within a week, and Archie Lewis has requested that when the invoice comes in, he check it before it is paid. Also, the sod that was put down will have to be torn up.

**METHODIST MEN:** Pancake Dinner April 5 from 5 P.M.-7 P.M.

**METHODIST WOMEN:** Dates for UMW Unit Meetings are as follows:
* APRIL 23 - JULY 23 - OCTOBER 22
The South Carolina conference of Christian Mission will be held in Spartanburg July 25-28. Still making preparations for Lake Junaluska.

PASTOR’S REPORT: (see written report)
* Maundy Thursday Holy Communion March 28th.
* Cantata/Drama Good Friday 7:00 P.M.
* Confirmation/United Methodist History & Practice course to begin soon.
* District Lay Speakers School will be held at McCormick Methodist on October 20 and 27.

ROUND TABLE:
* Dottie Caster expressed her appreciation for the choir’s use of the Fellowship Hall. She also mentioned that we consider adding a third octave to the handbells sometime in the near future at a cost of $2,991.
* Curtis Baggett stated that the church would once again be used by the Salkehatchie Group.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Hilda Donahue
THE MCCORMICK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MINUTES
MAY 16, 2004

OPENING: Chairman Baggett called the meeting to order. Bobbie Taylor led in prayer. There were 23 in attendance.

MINUTES: Ron Garling made a motion to approve the minutes as read, with a second by Bruce Motsinger. Motion passed.

TREASURER’S REPORT: (see attached) Rick Lindley gave his report. After reading his report, Bruce Motsinger asked a question as to what we are doing as far as apportionments? Bruce stated that at Charge Conference, Taylor Campbell said that we have flexibility in apportionments and are not locked in. This needs to be addressed as we cannot continue to run in a deficit. After further discussion, Bruce made a motion that within two (2) months the Finance Committee would come back to the Ad Board with their suggestions as to how we are going to come in line with meeting our budget. This motion was seconded by Mary Spence. Motion passed with one (1) abstention. Bruce Motsinger made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report with a second by Lyn Bourne. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SCHOLARSHIP: Linda Kidd stated that the members of her committee would be meeting this Saturday, and they plan to get something in the Newsletter in June for all potential candidates wishing scholarship money.

WITNESS: Penny Sackman passed out a survey to be completed and turned back in to her in hopes of getting a better idea of how we as individuals can reach out to others with our witnessing and how we can better serve God.

PPRC: Bud Stahlman made a motion to approve $325 for Bobbie Taylor for continuing education which is a requirement for her ministry. It was seconded by Mary Spence. Motion passed. Also, the piano in the Parsonage will be moved and donated to the Tara Club.

UMW: Sue Mitchell stated that the Sisters Banquet was a big success with 50 people attending. The next general meeting will be the 4th Tuesday in July.

UMM: Earl Wright reported that they had 40 people attending the Men’s Club. They will be attending a Green Jacket game on April 24th, and will serve the Salkehatchee group on the 27th.

ENDOWMENT: Jack Alfredson gave his report as follows:
- Endowment Fund -- April - $342 – Total $53,101.83 (Book)
- Scholarship Fund -- April - $80 – Total $36,896.81 (Book)

ASSIMILATION: Shirley Garling sent out four (4) letters for the month. The only problem she is experiencing is with getting addresses.

OUTREACH: Connie Robinson reported that the Christmas Bazaar is underway with Carol Bailey and Marti Hurst as co-chairmen. Anyone wishing to help with workshops or theme baskets, please sign up.

COMMUNICATION: Ron Taylor reported that he would be mailing or telephoning the new pastor as to his input as to how he would like the listing. We advertise in three publications (The Messenger – The Sun – POA Telephone Book).

STEWARDSHIP: Tom Leslie had no report as this was his first meeting.

CHOIR DIRECTOR: Jeanne Thornburg reported that the Chancel Choir would present a cantata during the 11:00 worship service on May 30th, and hopes the new sound system will be in. She also congratulated the men on their singing on Mother’s Day. The last Sunday for the choir will be on the 20th of June. It was also discussed that a “thank you” note be sent to all guest organists or pianists. Possibly Rick Lindley could include this in the envelope he sends to them.
TRUSTEES: Bob Rennie stated that the tree in the parking lot would be removed. He also found the electrical problem at the Parsonage. During the next workday they would concentrate on the back shrubbery at the Parsonage. In regards to the insurance, Southern Mutual will be evaluating the church property and will send a letter stating their perceptions as to the value of our property.

We have been approached by Savannah Lakes Realty as to possibly selling an interior lot which we own at Savannah Lakes at a price of $1500.00 and all closing costs will be paid. Bruce Motsinger made a motion that based on the information that the Trustees have received, that we sell the property. Bud Stahlman seconded the motion and motion carried. After further discussion, Bruce made an addendum to this motion that upon approval, the Trustees or PPRC will call both Pastors and let them know what we have discussed and make sure they are in agreement. This was seconded by Ron Garling. Motion passed.

ACOLYTES: Carolyn Trantham thanked everyone for their help as acolytes during both services.

MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Bobbie Taylor stated that she has been accepted at Self Memorial for a CPE Class. This class is part of the South Carolina Conference requirements for ordination. VBS will kick off June 6th at both services. Bobbie will be conducting a workshop at the district level on “Teaching Volunteers How to Teach”. She will also have a multi-week series “Serving from the Heart” during Sunday School hour in the Young at Heart class. Bobbie has requested to the Bishop that she be excused from Annual Conference.

PARTOR’S REPORT: (see attached) In the Pastor’s absence, Curtis Baggett gave his report. Curtis made a motion that we fill two (2) vacancies as follows: Altar Guild – Betty Standridge and Member at Large of Ad Board – Roger Wideman. This motion was 2nd by Earl Wright. Motion carried. Another motion was made by Bruce Motsinger that the service on June 13th remain as is. (It had been requested to have one service since this will be the Pastor’s last Sunday) Ron Garling seconded the motion. With four (4) NOS, the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS: A question was asked as to how the Nursery was working out with volunteers? It seems to be working well.

NEW BUSINESS: Bob Rennie stated that the pew in the Wesley Adult Sunday School Class needed to be moved. It was suggested that it be moved to the Parlor and that the couch that is in the Parlor be moved out. Ron Taylor made a motion that we give the couch to Habitat. This motion was seconded by Sue Mitchell. Motion carried.

Bruce Motsinger stated that there will be a reception for the new pastor after both the services on June 20th in the Fellowship Hall.

A motion was made by Bud Stahlman to adjourn, with a 2nd by Ron Garling. Phil Bailey closed the meeting in prayer. Meeting adjourn

Respectfully submitted,
Hilda Donahue, Secretary
THE MCCORMICK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 08, 2004

Opening: Chairman Baggett called the meeting to order. Rev. Bobbie Taylor led in prayer. There were 20 in attendance.

MINUTES: Bruce Motsinger made a motion to approve the minutes as read, with a second by Sue Mitchell. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (see attached) Lyn Bourne gave this report in Rick’s absence. Abbie Caywood made a motion to approve this report with a second by Ron Taylor. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

FINANCE: Lyn Bourne reported that a $6,700 bill from the Architect had been paid. Lyn made a motion that the monies left in the building fund go toward the cost of the architect’s bill. This was seconded by Ron Taylor and motion passed. It was also mentioned that when the Endowment Fund exceeds $50,000 that the church has access to 80%. Lyn will talk with Jack Alfredson, Chairman of the Endowment Committee, regarding this. Also, getting out letters to committee chairmen and asking that they let them know of any monies not used this year.

A question that was raised last meeting regarding quarterly statements. The PPRC committee will look at the time required to get out these statements and report back.

NEW BUSINESS:

PPRC: Bud Stahlman reported that it is time for budgeting for next year’s salaries. This will be looked at by the end of the month and will get their recommendations back to Finance Committee.

COMMUNICATION: Ron Taylor reported that he will have an article in the next Newsletter regarding the circle of concerns listed in the bulletin. He asked that you call the church office to renew the request or remove a name so this list remains current. Also, Ron is organizing a communication network within the church. This will be helpful in keeping us informed with happenings within our church. All interested in being a part of this, should contact Ron.

WORSHIP: Lindy Stahlman stated that there would be an Advent Devotional Booklet this year, and even though Advent doesn’t begin until November 28th, we need to take this opportunity to be a blessing to others by sharing what God has done for you.

STEWARDSHIP: Tom Leslie reported that he had met with Pastor Jerry to discuss the Stewardship Campaign. There will be three – 1 minute speakers giving a financial overview to the congregation (Re-Commitment of Membership). October 17th will be Commitment Sunday. Letters will be going out and announcements in the bulletin.

UMW: Sue Mitchell reported on the success of the Unit Meeting in July. There were 33 women present. The next Unit Meeting will be September 30th. There will be a new morning circle and Bible Study this fall.

TRUSTEES: Bob Rennie reported on the following: (1) Looking at changing the coverage on parsonage and church to increase the coverage per square foot and add a rider to our church policy that anyone on church business or driving their personal cars...
on church business now have liability insurance coverage. A combined total of $1,600,000 on the church and parsonage coverage at a cost of $158/year. (2) All lights in the Sanctuary have been replaced. (3) The need for Workmen’s Compensation was discussed and was decided that Bob will get a quote and a decision will be made in a couple of months. Bob also stated that Marv Hofmann had purchased a piece of equipment for the sound system and had not turned in a bill. Bob will get the necessary info on this and get back.

BUILDING COMMITTEE: Ted Armstrong made a motion that the Three Phase Building Program be tabled at this time and to disband the Building Committee, and that we are authorizing the payment of $6,700 to the architect. This motion was seconded by Abbie Caywood and motion passed.

UMM: Earl Wright reported that the next meeting would be September 7th. A proposed officers slate for 2005 will be presented. Also, the 2005 February Valentine Chairperson and committee is in place.

ENDOWMENT: Bruce Motsinger gave this report in Jack Alfredson’s place.

Endowment Fund approximately $54,000.00 (Book)
Scholarship Fund approximately $37,000.00 (Book)

A check for $918.00 was given to the Scholarship Committee.

ASSIMILATION: Shirley Garling met with Pastor Jerry. They made a decision to change the name of this committee to “Welcome Committee”. Members of the Young at Heart Class have volunteered to help with visiting.

FLOWER COMMITTEE: Tillie Freeland stated that they need two (2) commitments in November for flowers.

Curtis Baggett made a request to put flags on graves of all Veterans in County and would like to utilize the Men’s Club to do Overbrook Cemetery. Bud Stahlman seconded this motion. Motion passed.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Bobbie Taylor reported that the Young at Heart class will have a Bible Study on Romans, the Wesley Adult Class will start the quarter with “The God of Continuing Creation” and in mid-September we will offer an additional adult Sunday school class with a study of the Book of James. Bobbie also encouraged all to participate in Pastor Jerry’s class entitled “NextChurch.Now” starting September 19th at 7:00 p.m. Books for this class are $16.00. Bobbie has completed her clinical pastoral education requirement.

PASTOR’S REPORT: Pastor Jerry again expressed his wish that as many as possible attend his class beginning on Sunday evening the 19th using the book NextChurch.Now, which he will lay out the foundation on how he will attempt to organize ministry at McCormick. He also stated that almost all nominations have been filled. He also asked if McCormick Church has a sexual abuse policy? Pastor Jerry stated that his policy is that anytime anybody comes in to use the building and is charged ($75.00) that it should be approved by the Board.

Chp Baggett asked all to join hands and Pastor Jerry led in prayer, after which the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Hilda Donahue, Secretary
Opening: Chairman Baggett called the meeting to order. Abbie Caywood led in prayer. There were 20 in attendance.

MINUTES: The minutes were read and Abbie Caywood made a motion to approve them with one exception. In the Trustee Report last month one word was omitted. It should have read, at an additional $158/year. The minutes were seconded by Bruce Motsinger. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: (see attached) Bruce Motsinger asked if we were okay with the insurance table? Pastor Jerry stated that we had a good month, and at the end of the year, they would sit down and look at paying some of the expenses that had not been paid. If we were unable to pay both health care and apportionments, we might have to let some of the apportionments slide. Abbie Caywood made a motion to approve this report with a 2nd by Ron Garling. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:
From last month’s minutes, it was stated that the church has access to 80% when the Endowment Fund reaches $50,000. It should have stated that, when the Endowment Fund exceeds $50,000, 80% of the annual earnings (Market Value) could be accessed by the church.

NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MISSIONS: Connie Robinson reported that Rhett Thompson, Missionary to Panama, would speak on September 27th at 6:30. There will also be a covered dish supper. She also stated that the McCormick Children’s Home is in need of a covering for the children’s bicycles, which have to sit out in the weather. Possibly we could take the money out of Missions for this project.

TRUSTEES: Bob Rennie stated that the coverage for the church and parsonage has been increased at an additional cost of $158/year. The Savannah Lakes property has been sold for $2,011.50. We have a possible termite problem in the upstairs classroom. Will have this checked out and get some quotes if there is a termite problem. We might need to look into getting a contract for a yearly inspection. With energy cost going up, we all need to conserve. Regarding the Workmen’s Compensation, Bud Stahlman would handle this and will get a quote. Mitch Mitchell has been paid for the piece of sound equipment. There will be a workday at the church the first Saturday in October. Ronnie Kidd is going to take a look at some of the siding on the front of the building which are hanging down, and will see what can be done.

ASSIMILATION OR WELCOME COMMITTEE: Shirley Garling sent out four (4) letters and three (3) emails to visitors.

ENDOWMENT: Jack Alfredson reported the following:

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UMW: Linda Kidd gave this report in Sue Mitchell’s absence. The Fall Unit Meeting for all ladies of the church will be September 30th at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. The
next meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 27th pending the availability of this date on the church calendar.

**SCHOLARSHIP:** Linda Kidd reported that the Creighton Scholarship has been awarded to two students Jonathan Goff, who attends Republican Church and who is attending Piedmont Tech and Alyson Kidd Glidewell, who is attending Lander. These awards will be presented on Christian Education Sunday during the 11:00 service on September 26th. Invitation letters have been sent to the two recipients and Bill Creighton has been notified.

**UMM:** Earl Wright reported that at their Fall Meeting, they had 34 in attendance. There will be an outing to the Faith Home on Saturday, September 18th. A Fall Fund-raiser will be October 8th with a roast pork dinner. Earl also stated that Bill Jeffries, Chairman of the 2005 Valentine Dinner, has negotiated a reduced price on the Barn ($275). Bud Stahlman will head up the kitchen crew for the Fall Festival on October 16th.

**FINANCE:** Lyn Bourne reported that letters have been sent out to all committee chairmen for budget requests for next year. Also, at last month’s meeting, Bruce Motsinger asked about quarterly statements. They are looking at sending them out after the 3rd quarter.

**PASTOR’S REPORT:** Pastor Jerry reported on the illnesses of the church. Nominations are now complete. Positive outlook as this past month we took in more money than was spent. They also hope to make some changes by having a smaller group at the Ad Meetings next year. Tentatively January 8th will be a training and organizational day.

Curtis Baggett thanked the Men’s Club especially Bud Stahlman, Jack Tolan, Jack Haffeman and Phil Bailey for taking an inventory at Overbrook of all veterans. Flags will be placed on all of their graves at Veterans Day, etc. Curtis also thanked Pastor Jerry for his leadership in administration.

Pastor Jerry closed in prayer as all held hands. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Hilda Donahue, Secretary
THE MCCORMICK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 10, 2004

Opening: Chairman Baggett called the meeting to order. Pastor Jerry led in prayer. There were 19 in attendance.

MINUTES: The minutes were read and Bud Stahlman made a motion to approve with the correction of one misspelled word. Henry Burch seconded and motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (see attached) Rick Lindley gave this report. Bud Stahlman made a motion to approve this report as read with a second by Ron Taylor. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CHURCH HOSTESS: Mary Eddie Lindley reported that there would be a fifth Sunday luncheon, and that she would need help setting up and cleaning up.

TRUSTEES: Bob Rennie reported that Ronnie Kidd had made repairs on the siding. There was no evidence of termites underneath the church, and the doorframe upstairs did not have termites. On December 6th, the Trustees will have a transition meeting inviting new members of the Trustees that will be coming on in January. They will be given a list of items they could work on.

ASSIMILATION OR WELCOME COMMITTEE: Shirley Garling sent out four (4) letters during the month to visitors.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Pastor Jerry reported that he has found the church has been left unlocked on several occasions. We need to make sure that this is taken care of for now and in January a list of duties and responsibilities will be given to the Ushers so that this can be implemented. He gave a report on the list of people that are sick or in the hospital. He also advised everyone to get a flu shot. Commitment Sunday will be next Sunday (Oct. 17th), and Charge Conference on the 19th.

UMW: Linda Kidd gave this report in Sue Mitchell's absence. The Unit Meeting held on September 30th had 27 women present and an outstanding speaker. The next Unit Meeting will be held January 27th.

SCHOLARSHIP: Linda Kidd reported that they presented scholarship awards to two (2) participants in the amount of $918.18. Bill Creighton sent a check to make the total an even $1,000. This would give each $500.

UMM: Earl Wright thanked everyone for the success of the pork roast dinner. Bud Stahlman will head up the kitchen crew for the Fall Fund-raiser. The Men's Club will serve chicken plate dinners at the Holiday Market.

COMMUNICATION: Ron Taylor questioned as to how the Mission Funds were being distributed? Connie Robinson, Chairman of Missions, stated that she would compile this information and turn in at the next meeting so that this information could go into the minutes.

WORSHIP: (see attached) Lindy Stahlman gave the following report:

❖ Try music CD's before 8:30 service
❖ Usher meeting & training early 2005
❖ Community Thanksgiving Service Sunday, November 21st at the Baptist church – Pastor Jerry will preach
❖ Sign up to see if there is interest in having a Thanksgiving Dinner at Church
❖ Advent – 1st Sunday – November 28th - Advent wreath only
❖ Dec. 3rd - Men put tree in Sanctuary
❖ Dec. 4th – Decorate tree, windows and wreaths
❖ Dec. 5th – 2nd Sunday – Youth Program (Consider doing it in evening)
❖ Dec. 12th – 3rd Sunday – Have poinsettias in church
❖ Dec. 19th – 4th Sunday – Communion
❖ Dec. 24th – 7:00 P.M. – Service of Lessons and Carols
❖ No New Year’s Eve program this year

PPRC: Bud Stahlman stated that the payroll for next year is slightly increased due to the insurance and pension benefits, which are dictated by the Conference. They also will meet with the District Superintendent one-half hour before Charge Conference and review where we stand.

FINANCE: Lynn Bourne reported that this committee would meet on Nov. 7th to set the budget. They will present the budget to the Ad Council on November 14th.

Chp Baggett stated that he feels good about the church and where we are going. He also suggested that before December, all outgoing committee chairmen make notes to pass on to the incoming chairmen. He also informed us that Earl Wright will be the Salkehatchie Coordinator, and hoped that the Finance Committee would again consider giving $300 to this group.

Pastor Jerry stated that the training day would be January 8th. This will be a planning session and an opportunity for all committees to meet and plan ahead for the New Year.

As all held hands, Bobbie led in prayer. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Hilda Donahue, Secretary
Jan. 31, '04 $10,295.00

6,525.00

3,770.00 bal.

$5,000.00 Episcopal Camp Meeting
3,000.00 Galilean Summer Missions
1,000.00 Rhett Thompson, our missionary to Panama
1,200.00 Bill & Betty Jerris, Ukrainian missionaries
2,200.00 Africa University Fund, former commitment
200.00 Mr. Cornelius/Adler Place Habitat for Humanity
100.00 Hospice Care of the Piedmont
100.00 kosten World Outreach/Adler Place

$5,600.00 Total paid to Missions this year

$600.00 To be paid for work done

for Mr. Cornelius Children's Home

$6,200.00

3,250.00 Paid out to Pat Bandy for Bazaar Supplies

$6,525.00 Carol Bailey also to be reimbursed

for Bazaar Supplies

Thank you's from Hospice, the Jerris, and Episcopal.

Bazaar Reina success

Thanks to everyone who helped

Special thanks to Chairman
Carol Bailey & Marti Hurst

men's club for dinners

kindness & faith for market cafe
OPENING: Chairman Baggett called the meeting to order at 6:00PM. There were 15 in attendance. Pastor Jerry provided devotions based on our purpose statement, stressing acts of piety and deeds of mercy using the Good Samaritan and Matthew 5 Final Judgment as examples.

MINUTES: The minutes were read. Phil moved that the minutes be approved and Byron seconded. Motion passed. Curtis asked council members to let him know a week ahead if they want to make a report and be on the agenda.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Bruce read the treasurer’s report. (see attached) There are some new account codes suggested by Jerry. If a bill needs to be paid, see Linda. She has voucher forms. If no voucher is attached to the bill, it will not be paid. Ron moved that the report be approved and Sue seconded. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS: Bobbie reported that the name Administrative Board has been changed to Church Council as of January 2005.

NEW BUSINESS:
Fred reported on the Endowment Fund (see attached) now at $54,413. Groups are invited to submit forms to use $1,307 of this money. This amount does not include scholarships.

UMM- Phil reported that due to the conflict with the Augusta Symphony on March 1, the next Men’s meeting will be held on March 3.

Christian Education- Bobbie reported that a new 4 week life applications class will begin on February 25. Group members will view segments of the movie, “Tuesdays With Morrie” followed by discussion, then watch the entire movie at the last session. She hopes that more small groups will meet, even more than one on the same night. There are many things going on and we will all need to make choices.

PASTOR’S REPORT:
Jerry reported on the illnesses of Dick Hanson and Dorothy Tingley. He shared that community member Mr. Butler had died in an accident Saturday. Jerry requested that he be kept informed of what is going on with the members of the church as he only knows what we share with him.

The council was encouraged to keep inviting folks to church and Jerry said that many are doing so.

The Lenten activities will be:
- Palm Sunday- Drama- Betty Smith
- Maunday Thursday- Cantata
- Good Friday- Cross Walk

Jerry outlined some goals he wants to keep prominent for MUMC
- 120 in worship
- 8:30 service- get numbers up, as he feels it will grow more that 11:00 long term
- keep articles for the newsletter concise
- there will be a change in format to keep office costs down
- be sensitive when changing a meeting time, it can be confusing with many things going on

Trustee item- building use policy.
- keep in line with purpose statement
- allow Pastor discretion for building use
Byron moved that the pastor or chair of trustees have discretion on use of building. Ron seconded and the motion passed.

Jerry introduced the idea of having the Steven Ministry active in our church. Several members are already trained and interested. We would need 6 to make it worthwhile. We can ask for training money from the Greenwood District. Jerry asked for approval for the project and training for himself in April in Pittsburgh. Cost would be $1700 enrollment and $1000 for Jerry’s training. He has $500 in his CEU to apply toward the cost. It was suggested to ask finance to pay, under miscellaneous, until other funds come in.

Bobbie explained the program as a one on one care ministry in any area such as hospice or grief support. It provides outreach into the community and equips people to serve.

Liability was discussed and Jerry said it is covered under our church policy.
Byron moved that if 6 people commit to the program, that the enrollment be paid and then find ways to repay the money to the church. Ron seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The new bishop, Bishop Taylor, will be at St.Mark’s on Feb.15 and the laity is invited.

Curtis asked that chairmen of committees hold their meetings before council and bring reports.
Phil closed council with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindy Stahlman, Recording Secretary
Chairman Curtis called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with 14 in attendance. Jack Bushling gave the invocation from the book God Bless America. The August minutes were read, moved to approve by Bruce and seconded by Ron T. and approved by the council.

Bruce presented the treasurer’s report and congratulated the committees for limiting their spending. All bills are paid through August. Byron moved that the report be approved, seconded by Jack B. and approved by the council.

**UMM-Jack B. reported**
- that $300 was made on the peach sale
- The speaker for the next UMM meeting on 9/6 will be Pattie Norris a master gardener. Letters of invitation have been sent to all men of the church
- Fundraising chicken dinner on 9/16 tickets on sale for $6.50. Dinner being organized by Bud Stahlman
- Labor Day- men’s prayer group will meet at 7:30 AM at the church

**Music-Jeanne reported** that choir will resume on 9/11 with kickoff dinner/rehearsal on 9/7

**Welcoming Comm.-Shirley reported** that church visitors have received notes and emails

**Parish Nurse- Beth Dowton** wants to resume the parish nurse program. She will be stationed at out church and do seminars 4 times a year, the first to be on cardiovascular concerns. She has liability insurance through Self and she is one of 18 congregational nurses in the GWD district. Byron moved to approve, Bruce seconded and the council approved. Byron wanted Beth to notify finance if there are costs involved with running the program.

**Stewardship- Bruce reported** for Linda Kidd that 9/25 will be the kickoff for this year’s program and there will be speakers each Sunday until Commitment Sunday on 10/16. The budget will then be approved on 11/10

**PPRC-Byron presented** the recommendations for budget/salaries. Recommendations of 5% increase for pastor and 3.5% for all other staff. The salary/insurance budget is $139,970, $800 less than last year. This was moved by Jack B., seconded by Jack H and approved by council. It will be voted on by the membership at Charge Conference.
Communication- Ron reported that he emails new residents invitations to visit MUMC (gets the emails from the neighbor link) and offered to send them invitations in the mail if he has addresses since this does not touch those without email or outside of SLV.

Education- Bobbie discussed the Revelation study beginning 9/11 with a dinner. Seven churches have been invited to attend and provide meals for Dr. Melton during the week. A new member class will begin on 9/11 and Bobbie will be attending Bishop's school of Ministry in Myrtle Beach. Stephen Ministries will begin 9/18 with 9 possible applicants. Confirmation will be 11/13. There will be another training next year for others wanting to be Stephen Ministers and Bobbie will go for leadership training 1/6 in Orlando

Pastor's Report-
-Jerry reported on those in the hospital at this time
-Office budget-discussing using more printer/less copier for greater cost savings. Discussed posting minutes instead of printing them each month, fewer copies of treasurer's, and other reports need for minutes in newsletter? Jerry would like feedback in these matters.

Phil led in closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Lindy Stahlman, recording secretary
MUMC Administrative Council
August 4, 2005

Curtis Baggett (Chairman) called the meeting to order at 7:05 with Opening Prayer by Ron Taylor.

Bruce Motsinger (Treasurer) reported $16,000 surplus YTD over budgeted items. He commended all chairpersons for watching their expenses. He asked any group in the church having a one-time-only need, should consider asking for funds from the Memorial Fund. Ron moved and Henry seconded acceptance of the treasurer’s report.

Connie Robinson (Missions/Outreach) reported funds have been sent to Camp Epworth and missionaries to Ukraine and Panama. The money came from Missions and Offering. Look for a list of work days on the ET Trailer project in Greenwood to be announced by e-mail. They are also still looking for funds. Our church has already contributed. She also announced the date of the mini Bazaar will be November 13.

Sue Mitchell (UMW) announced a successful unit meeting with Bobbie Taylor as speaker. The Salkahatchie dinners were well received.

Jack Haffeman (Trustees) reported painting for walls and chair rails completed and lights fixed in parking lot. Signs have been made to be used for parking for funerals, etc.

Curtis reported for Linda Kidd that the 2005 Financial plan will kickoff Sunday, September 25. Commitment Sunday will be October 16.

Bobbie reported for Jerry James. Bobbie just completed a successful 4-day revival for Plum Branch UMC. Wonderful Wednesdays have been very successful bible study with over 30 in attendance. The meals are not as well attended. Phil Bailey, Bev Western, and Jerry are in training this week in Pittsburgh for Stephen Ministry. Special thanks to the Trustees for quick response to maintenance issues.

Coming events include: Discussion of current priorities for both finances and discipleship at the next meeting; Teaching workshop on Saturday August 13; New member class September 11 and 18; Charge Conference on October 2 at 7:00 PM (all reports to be done on-line by September 28).

Special attention was given to upcoming 5-session lecture series by Dr Lloyd Melton from Erskine Seminary on the subject of Book of Revelation. It will begin on Sunday, September 11 with a covered dish dinner.

District Methodist Men are planning an all-day event on Saturday, September 10. The morning (8:30 to noon) will have the Reverend Darren Hooke as speaker ($12). There will be a golf outing from 1:30 – 5:00 ($35) at Hunter’s Creek.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 with prayer led by Bobbie.

Respectively submitted, Mary Spence
McCormick UMC Council Meeting
September 3, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 7PM by Phil Bailey. There were 14 in attendance-Bruce Motsinger, Dot Bandy, Bob Weiss, Jack Haffeman, Rick Lindley, Jack Bushling, Mary Thompson, Bobbie Taylor, Byron Thompson, Lyn Bourne, Linda Kidd and Connie Robinson.

Phil led devotions and followed with comments:
- thank you from Paul Frye for our contribution to the love gift for Campbells
- a suggestion to only make one pot of coffee on Sunday to avoid throwing out so much.
- concern that our council attendance is down and it should be a priority for members to be here. We will revisit when the meetings should be held to be most convenient for the members
- possibility of having committees meet quarterly in place of council meeting (Jan., Apr., July, Oct.) Everyone would meet at the January training
- all committees could meet on the 1st Sunday of each quarter, but at the discretion of the committee chair to set the meeting time. Council was in agreement of pursuing the suggestion
- planning for the new year begins at the January training meeting when dates should be put on the calendar for the year. Bobbie and Jerry are available to committees a resources when needed

The June 4th minutes were read and approved. It was requested that committees making reports provide a copy to be filed with the minutes.

Reports:

Finance- Lyn reviewed the stewardship program for the year. Commitment Sunday will be October 15. Bruce reviewed the financial report which is filed with the minutes. There was a suggestion about putting money in short term CDs. The option has been previously discussed, money has already been put in CDs, and the matter will be revisited by finance

Trustees- Jack H. gave a report which is filed with the minutes. Items covered were kitchen sink, masonry work out for bids, sanctuary organ power surges being addressed, estimates for outside lighting fixtures/wiring, parsonage mattress, vinyl floor and washer replacements. Annual parsonage review will be done soon. Church is “almost” flealess at this time.

Discussion about placement of new chairs rather in the fellowship hall corner. Folding chairs will be sold at 9/16 missions yard sale, after being offered to church membership.
**Worship**- Dot reported that the committee last met in June, beautiful new paraments have been sewn by Carol Bailey and are now in place. Betty Smith is planning a Christmas program with date to come.

**SPPRC**- Byron reported that the staff job descriptions are being finalized. An employment benefit for one employee will be worked into 2007 budget.

**Outreach**- Connie reminded the committee of the upcoming missions yard sale on Sept.19. Creighton scholarships of $500 were presented to Jamie Smith and Brittany Brown.

**UMW**- Linda Kidd reported that the next UMW meeting will be Oct.26 with a fashion show from Helping Hands. The UMW district meeting will be held at Republican UMC on Sept 23.

**UMM**- Jack B. outlined recent contributions-$200 to MCMH and $200 to Christ Care group ministry. Recent peach sale was successful and the men will be in charge of the pancake breakfast opening McCormick’s Gold Rush Day on 9/16.

**Welcome**- Mary reported her committee looks for visitors and follows up with cards to any who are new residents or repeat visitors. A potluck honoring new members from the last 1 ½ year to be held after church 9/10

**Communication**- Rick reported that he is running the same ads and continues working on the website

**Education**- Bobbie reported that Christ Care leader training will begin Thursday. The training rooms will be moved downstairs for those who cannot manage steps. 80% of those who came to learning sessions want to be in a small group. Bobbie reported that, sadly, at this time we no longer have a youth program and it will not be budgeted for in 2007.

**Pastoral**- Bobbie reported for Jerry in his absence. 3 new members will join next Sunday. Council was commended for the work accomplished this year. A report was made of members sick and in the hospital, including Tisha James. The meeting was adjourned at 9 PM with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindy Stahlman, Recording Secretary
McCormick Church Council Meeting  
January 13, 2007

The council meeting was called to order at 10:40 by Norma Curtis. The meeting followed the 2007 Church Council training by Jerry and Bobbie. The meeting was called to present 6 items.

1. Ray Crace reported for the Trustees concerning the replacement of all outside church windows except for the sanctuary. The present windows are single glazed, energy inefficient and many are not functional. The recommendation was made to replace the present windows with single-hung double glazed windows, which would open from the bottom half for cleaning. Two bids have been received to replace all of the windows at one time.

   Southern Siding- $25,799   Thompkins Windows-$22,417

   There is no money in the 2007 budget to cover this amount. The cost could be spread out or only a few windows done at a time. Capital improvement monies can be used, or members could be asked to purchase a window($500). After discussion, it was moved and seconded (Linda R./Abbie C.) that the windows be purchased at one time. The motion passed unanimously. The motion was made/seconded (Dot B/Ron T) to refer the matter to the finance committee to decide how to pay for the windows. The motion passed unanimously. There was a motion/second (Ron T./Dot B.) to request distribution funds from the Endowment Committee to be used toward the purchase of the windows. The motion passed unanimously and Norma agreed to write the letter of request.

2. Phil Bailey drafted a Church Council covenant to be reviewed at this meeting, which Norma presented in his absence. The covenant was distributed, read and input requested. The recommended 2007 Council/committee meeting schedule was discussed, which had the Council meeting quarterly and committees meeting on the months in between. The covenant and schedule were well received. It was moved/seconded (Byron T./Nancy R.) to accept the covenant draft. Discussion:
   - June 3 is Annual Conference so that date may need to be changed
   - the Covenant would be revisited as needed
   - verbal reports would be limited to a suggested 5 minutes
   Motion passed unanimously. It was suggested that Phil should be commended for a job well done.

3. Jerry suggested that an ad hoc committee be appointed to study the big building issues such as: what to do about the courtyard windows, heating/air conditioning, leaking roof, and to come up with a strategic plan for them. The proposed committee would be chaired by Bruce Motsinger and include Chuck Winn, Wayne Christman, Jimmy Smith, Ray Crace, Mary Spence, Norma Curtis, Bobbie Taylor and Jerry James. A motion was made/seconded (Abbie C./Dot B) to accept the recommendation for the ad hoc committee. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Linda Rushton presented the information that her Christ Care group would be sponsoring a mission to provide items for soldiers in Iraq (like her son) to give to the children they meet. A motion of support was made/seconded (Toni G./Madge) and passed unanimously. There will be an insert in the bulletin listing needed items.
5. Bobbie asked that an account be opened to use exclusively for books purchased for spiritual events and classes. A motion to approve the new account was made/seconded (Abbie C./Emilee G) and passed unanimously.

The upcoming Caring Evangelism study was held up for everyone's consideration. It will meet for 8 Sundays in Feb.-Mar., at a cost of $20 for books.

There are 4 Christ Care groups ready to go, with Ron's welcoming group meeting a church need to personally contact visitors. Other groups will reach out to different needs and people within and outside of our church.

6. Jerry will be obtaining audio equipment on loan for those who are hearing impaired. The company providing the equipment is Liston Tech. If the devices work well, Jerry will ask that the memorial fund cover the cost of purchasing what we need for the sanctuary.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 followed by the installation of the leadership.

Respectfully submitted,
Lindy Stahlman, recording secretary
McCormick Church Council Meeting
June 3, 2007

The council meeting was called to order by Phil Bailey at 6:00 PM with 11 in attendance.
(Dot Bandy, Phil and Carol Bailey, Lyn Bourne, Nancy Rennie, Byron Thompson, Ray Crace, Mary Spence, Jeannie Thornburg, Beverly Western.)

Phil led devotions from Revelations, concerning the messages to the 7 churches and the very current message to us, to not lose the joy and excitement we felt when we first met the Lord!

The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

Reports-
Treasurer- Mary gave the Finance and Treasurer’s reports. The remaining mortgage of $5248 will be paid off in July. The reports were approved.

Trustees- Ray reported on the projects which have been completed since January including replacement of Sanctuary and Parlor Room doors, and repair of floor beams below the parlor door, replacement of windows in Fellowship hall, offices and 2 story building, squirrel proofing of attic with metal flashing, debris removal from attic, fellowship hall toilet and faucet replacement, vacuum purchased and many ongoing repairs completed. Complete report attached. A list of projects, short to long term, which the trustees would like to begin was presented and is attached. Request to move $5000 from capital improvements to begin short term list was approved, although there was discussion that this might not have been necessary since the funds are there for this purpose.

Worship- Dot reported that the committee met to plan the rest of the year. The committee has volunteered to have members help the office in proofreading the bulletin each week.

PPRC- Byron raised concerns about activities being scheduled during Sunday School hour. He suggested that this concern may fall under Worship Committee. We have a new custodian since 5/21, Susie Moore. She has expressed that more than the set 10 hours/week may be needed to get the church in good shape initially. There is money in the budget if additional hours are needed. Susie may need to be off some time this summer. There will be a sub who will be paid in her absence.

Nursery- a large number of volunteers have signed up but our current policy is that 2 are to be in the nursery and that each would sign a volunteer form. Forms are being completed at this time and the question of the number to be in attendance will be revisited.

Music- Jeannie reported that in Janet’s absence at the organ this summer, Nada Ream will play 1st service, Beverly Willis 2nd, with Betty Jennings as backup.

Outreach- Carol- no Missions Market will be held this year looking at options after discussion, the council approved pursuing Red Bird Crafts- for possible 11/17/07 Craft Fair

Market $ from last year sent to- $1000 Chapel at McCormick prison 300 Salkahatchie 1000 pastor’s emergency fund 2700- to our 2 missionaries

Scholarships- Lyn reported 3 apps which will be reviewed this week

UMM- Meeting 6/5- 2nd half of Exodus film

Activities since January attached
Jan 19- feed Salkahatchie at lunch other summer projects are Green Jackets- June, Augusta cruise in July

Stephen Ministry- Beverly reported that there will be training in September, and that
there are still spots available
Christ Care- Byron- requested that their group be informed of needs in the
church/community for those who need emergency help with yard care.

Phil reported for Jerry and Bobby who are at Conference

- Nearly all of the funds needed for the new windows has been received at this time.
- Review of church council covenant
- Jerry and Bobbie would like to know about any meetings being held at the church
  and they will try to attend as many as they can. Meetings are to be scheduled through
  Linda in the office. More local training for committee members will be made
  available in the near future.
- We have 6 at annual conference this week
- Nominations for next year’s leadership positions is ongoing
- Dec 9- Dinner Theater/drama is being planned- details will follow
- Sept 16- Baker Creek- Pot luck Church Picnic
- Laurie Franklin MCCH has requested using our facility as an emergency evacuation
  site. Since we are already on the list for PTC, the council approved the request
  unanimously

Meeting adjourned with prayer at 7:25. Next meeting set for Sept.2

Respectfully submitted,

Lindy Stahlman, Recording Secretary
The council meeting was called to order by Phil Bailey at 6:00 PM with 6 in attendance.
(Phil and Carol Bailey, Linda Kidd, Jerry James, Jeanne Thornburg)

Phil led devotions from Genesis 1:1-25, putting God at the center of our lives at all times.

The minutes of the previous minutes were approved.

Finance- budget letters have been sent out and requests for funds for the coming year should be turned in as soon as possible.

Treasurer's Report- Jerry reported that we are ahead of budget and under in expenses for the year, and have not fallen behind in giving despite the summer months. The parking lot mortgage is paid off!

Trustees-Ray's report on projects completed was read and was filed with the minutes.

PPRC- Byron's report indicated that all SLED checks have been completed.

Music- Jeanne reported that choir starts this week. "America" was well received July 1, and was a community event. Janet will return on Sept 16. Appreciation was expressed for the wonderful piano music provided by Nada Ream and Bev Willis during the summer months.

Outreach- Carol reported that Nov. 17 will be the date for the Red Bird Craft sale. Help will be needed the day before, setting up tables for the sale.

Stewardship- Linda reported that Oct. 14 will be Commitment Sunday and that there will be speakers the 3 Sundays leading up to that date.

UMW- Linda outlined the plan for providing funeral meals beginning in January 2008. The next Unit meeting will be October 18.

UMM- Phil read the report for upcoming events. The next meeting will be next Tuesday.

Church Family picnic will be held on Sunday 9/16 following the 11:00 service at Baker Creek Pavilion. It will be potluck with utensils and drinks provided.

Pastor-10/21- Charge Conference day, with DS preaching at the 11:00 service. Jerry reported that all nominations are complete for the charge conference. He requested that all reports be sent to Linda as soon as possible to avoid last minute rush. The church is doing well with many activities going on that may not be visible to everyone. We are fortunate to have a high quality staff at our church.

Next meeting will be November 4. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindy Stahlman. Recording Secretary
MINUTES (Unofficial until accepted at Jan Meeting)

McCormick UMC Council Meeting 16 October, 2011 Respectfully submitted by John Cotty

Present were: Norma Curtis, Bruce Motsinger, Kay Kloppenburg, Lindy Stahlman, Athon Arant, Verna Clayton, Ken Green, Ray Crace, Jack Haffeman, Penny Sockman, Beverly Western, John Cotty, Edith Arant, and Mary Thompson

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Norma Curtis, who read the minutes from the special church council meeting held in September. The motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as read. It should be noted that Abbie Caywood was not present and the minutes of the previous regular meeting were not available.

REPORTS

Bruce Motsinger was asked to give a report on Finances. Bruce made available to everyone copies of his report which included 1) Actual vs Budget figures thru September for general fund accounts 2) A summary of operating expenses thru September 3) A Fund Balance report 4) Bank deposits by fund and 5) Balance Sheet thru September 11, 2011. Bruce reported that we were pretty much on track in spite of a 4% shortfall to date in actual revenues from all sources. This, roughly $8000, shortfall has been more than offset by a reduction in expenses from budget projections. As there were no further questions about his report, Bruce asked Penny Sockman and John Cotty to bring everyone up to date on the Stewardship Campaign for 2012.

Penny reported that early figures based on Pledged and Unpledged estimates amount to approximately $254,000. This figure is not as firm as it could be due to very recent loses in membership due to deaths and retirements. John Cotty added that the figures are less than this same period last year, and that we should expect our numbers to fall about $8,000 to $10,000 from the 2011 projected figures. Bruce commented that with the reduction of Bobbies’ salary from the budget for 2012, we will still be in very good shape to continue with all existing programs.

Ray Crace then gave the Trustees report. In addition to the repainted railing on the side entry, the crawl space insulation and the roofing over the classroom/office building have been completed. The brick wall at the parsonage was removed and the storm damaged eaves at the church have been repaired. He also brought up for discussion redesign possibilities for the atrium. Ideas will be considered and brought up for discussion at a later date. Ray also mentioned that we currently have no existing long range planning committee and we need to be thinking about the 2012 to 2017 needs.

Ken Green reported for the Lay Leadership that all Church officers, committee chairs and committee members were approved at the Charge conference on October 9th. He also reported that an advent study, “The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem”, is scheduled for November and December.

The Worship Committee report was given by Lindy Stahlman who reminded everyone that All Saint’s Sunday is October 30th and that 9 candles will be lit in memory, and presented to the families of, our members who died during this past year. Also Hanging of the Greens church decorating and soup fellowship on November 26th, will be followed on the 27th with the Hanging of the Greens service. This is the first Sunday of Advent.

Verna Clayton then gave a report from the SPPRC. After making a request to increase the salaries for music director, organist, landscaper, and custodian by 2%, Verna also requested that Christmas bonuses be given to the pastor, organist and music director. As it was pointed out that landscape and custodial work has been contracted, the request should be amended. As Verna’s motion was then for an increase for the organist and music director only, was seconded by Ken Green, voted on and accepted. A separate
Motion was then made concerning the Christmas Bonus request. Without further discussion, the motion was made and seconded to approve a bonus of $200 to Athon, and $100 each to Janet and Jeannie, as well as Susie (custodian) and Ken (landscaper). It was voted on and approved.

Norma Curtis then read Frank Chewning’s Outreach Missions report. Frank has been involved in 3 separate mission projects this year in which he has received $11,500 in donations and raised an additional $8000 in local yard sales and internet sales.

The United Methodist’s Men Club Report was submitted by Jack Haffeman. Janis Grizzard spoke at the September meeting of 34 members and Ronnie Kidd entertained 30 members at the October meeting with stories of his life as a judge. Chuck Cook will talk about his trip to Saudia Arabia in November.

Kay Kloppenburg reported upcoming events in the Kitchen. Pot Luck Dinner December 12th, Stephen Ministry reception on November 13th, and snacks for Advent Bible Study beginning November 13th.

Beverly Western for the Nurture Committee reported that there are currently 7 going through Stephen Ministry Training. Each will be commissioned at the 11:00 service on November 13th after having completed 50 hours of training.

The Memorial Committee report was given by Bruce Motsinger for Judy Motsinger. This year the Memorial fund has grown from $4386 to $6155 after expenditures totaling $1096.

Edith Arant completed the reports with information about the Church Directory.

OLD BUSINESS

Norma Curtis asked about Old Business. With no one bringing up old business, she opened the floor for New Business

NEW BUSINESS

Bruce Motsinger reported that Mary Teasley had commended the church on having 100% of its apportionments paid. In recognition, a commendation has been presented to Athon on behalf of the church.

Ken Green brought up the fact that the Council of Government through which the Nehemiah program has been funded primarily has had its budget drastically cut. He requested that the church consider whether it would continue the project by entering the Nehemiah Group as a line item in the church budget. After some discussion which favored Ken’s request, it was moved by Lindy and seconded by Bruce, that a line item be establish in the budget. It was then mentioned by Bruce that we would not tie an amount to this line item as yet, but felt that a figure of $2000 for immediate needs could be adjusted upward as the Budget itself gets prepared in November.

Norma then announced that the next Church Council meeting will be January 15th, 2012 and that Mary Thompson who was present tonight to observe would take over as the new presiding officer and that Toni Graham would assume the duties of the secretary.

At this point Kay Kloppenburg inquired as to why the pastor does not submit a more formal report of his activities at this meeting. In response, Athon gave a brief pastors report, after which Edith stated that he had just given a more detailed report at Charge Conference which was not available for this meeting.

With no further business it was moved by Verna and seconded by Jack that the meeting be adjourned. All were in favor and the meeting ended at 8:20 pm.
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The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Norma Curtis, who read the minutes from the special church council meeting held in September. The motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as read. It should be noted that Abbie Caywood was not present and the minutes of the previous regular meeting were not available.

REPORTS

Bruce Motsinger was asked to give a report on Finances. Bruce made available to everyone copies of his report which included 1) Actual vs Budget figures thru September for general fund accounts 2) A summary of operating expenses thru September 3) A Fund Balance report 4) Bank deposits by fund and 5) Balance Sheet thru September 11, 2011. Bruce reported that we were pretty much on track in spite of a 4% shortfall to date in actual revenues from all sources. This, roughly $8000, shortfall has been more than offset by a reduction in expenses from budget projections. As there were no further questions about his report, Bruce asked Penny Sockman and John Cotty to bring everyone up to date on the Stewardship Campaign for 2012.

Penny reported that early figures based on Pledged and Unpledged estimates amount to approximately $254,000. This figure is not as firm as it could be due to very recent loses in membership due to deaths and retirements. John Cotty added that the figures are less than this same period last year, and that we should expect our numbers to fall about $8,000 to $10,000 from the 2011 projected figures. Bruce commented that with the reduction of Bobbies’ salary from the budget for 2012, we will still be in very good shape to continue with all existing programs.

Ray Crace then gave the Trustees report. In addition to the repainted railing on the side entry, the crawl space insulation and the roofing over the classroom/office building have been completed. The brick wall at the parsonage was removed and the storm damaged eaves at the church have been repaired. He also brought up for discussion redesign possibilities for the atrium. Ideas will be considered and brought up for discussion at a later date. Ray also mentioned that we currently have no existing long range planning committee and we need to be thinking about the 2012 to 2017 needs.

Ken Green reported for the Lay Leadership that all Church officers, committee chairs and committee members were approved at the Charge conference on October 9th. He also reported that an advent study, “The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem”, is scheduled for November and December.

The Worship Committee report was given by Lindy Stahlman who reminded everyone that All Saint’s Sunday is October 30th and that 9 candles will be lit in memory, and presented to the families of, our members who died during this past year. Also Hanging of the Greens church decorating and soup fellowship on November 26th, will be followed on the 27th with the Hanging of the Greens service. This is the first Sunday of Advent.

Verna Clayton then gave a report from the SPPRC. After making a request to increase the salaries for music director, organist, landscaper, and custodian by 2%, Verna also requested that Christmas bonuses be given to the pastor, organist and music director. As it was pointed out that landscape and custodial work has been contracted, the request should be amended. As Verna’s motion was then for an increase for the organist and music director only, was seconded by Ken Green, voted on and accepted. A separate
Motion was then made concerning the Christmas Bonus request. Without further discussion, the motion was made and seconded to approve a bonus of $200 to Athan, and $100 each to Janet and Jeannie, as well as Susie (custodian) and Ken (landscaper). It was voted on and approved.

Norma Curtis then read Frank Chewning’s Outreach Missions report. Frank has been involved in 3 separate mission projects this year in which he has received $11,500 in donations and raised an additional $8000 in local yard sales and internet sales.

The United Methodist’s Men Club Report was submitted by Jack Haffeman. Janis Grizzard spoke at the September meeting of 34 members and Ronnie Kidd entertained 30 members at the October meeting with stories of his life as a judge. Chuck Cook will talk about his trip to Saudia Arabia in November.

Kay Kloppenburg reported upcoming events in the Kitchen. Pot Luck Dinner December 12th, Stephen Ministry reception on November 13th, and snacks for Advent Bible Study beginning November 13th.

Beverly Western for the Nurture Committee reported that there are currently 7 going through Stephen Ministry Training. Each will be commissioned at the 11:00 service on November 13th after having completed 50 hours of training.

The Memorial Committee report was given by Bruce Motsinger for Judy Motsinger. This year the Memorial fund has grown from $4386 to $6155 after expenditures totaling $1096.

Edith Arant completed the reports with information about the Church Directory.

OLD BUSINESS

Norma Curtis asked about Old Business. With no one bringing up old business, she opened the floor for New Business

NEW BUSINESS

Bruce Motsinger reported that Mary Teasley had commended the church on having 100% of its apportionments paid. In recognition, a commendation has been presented to Athan on behalf of the church.

Ken Green brought up the fact that the Council of Government through which the Nehemiah program has been funded primarily has had its budget drastically cut. He requested that the church consider whether it would continue the project by entering the Nehemiah Group as a line item in the church budget. After some discussion which favored Ken’s request, it was moved by Lindy and seconded by Bruce, that a line item be establish in the budget. It was then mentioned by Bruce that we would not tie an amount to this line item as yet, but felt that a figure of $2000 for immediate needs could be adjusted upward as the Budget itself gets prepared in November.

Norma then announced that the next Church Council meeting will be January 15th, 2012 and that Mary Thompson who was present tonight to observe would take over as the new presiding officer and that Toni Graham would assume the duties of the secretary.

At this point Kay Kloppenburg inquired as to why the pastor does not submit a more formal report of his activities at this meeting. In response, Athan gave a brief pastors report, after which Edith stated that he had just given a more detailed report at Charge Conference which was not available for this meeting.

With no further business it was moved by Verna and seconded by Jack that the meeting be adjourned. All were in favor and the meeting ended at 8:20 pm.
McCormick United Methodist Church
Trustees Report to the
Administrative Council
January 15, 2012

Since our last report the following items were accomplished:

1. A leak was repaired in the toilet of the restroom across from the secretary’s office.

2. A leak in the water line in the crawl space of the parsonage was repaired.

3. A repair was done to the 4 ton gas-pack HVAC system for the parsonage.

4. The floor tile of the fellowship hall was stripped, cleaned, and re-waxed.

5. Bulbs were replaced in the halogen lights for the rear parking lot.

6. A vinyl fence was installed in the side yard of the parsonage in place of the old brick wall that was removed.

7. A leak in the roof of the parsonage was repaired. This involved the replacement of some roof sheathing and shingles, and re-flashing the chimney.

8. Electrical outlets were added to the exterior of the sides and rear of the church.

9. An extra outlet was added in the area of the sanctuary where the annual Christmas tree is set up.

10. The microwave oven over the range of the parsonage was replaced.

Respectfully submitted

Ray Crace, Chairman
Items to discuss:

1. Re-design of the atrium to be addressed in the spring.

2. Repainting of the interior of the sanctuary and the exterior of the stained glass windows, and all church exterior doors set for late March.

3. When the repair was done on the parsonage HVAC system, it was evident that the system, which is over 15 years old, was subject to more expensive repairs. For this reason it was decided to have the system replaced. This is in the works.
The McCormick United Methodist Church Council met on Sunday, April 15, 2012 in the fellowship hall of the Church. The meeting was called to order by the Council Chairperson, Mary Thompson at 7:00 p.m. She asked Rev. Arant to open with a word of prayer. Mary gave a devotional.

The following people were in attendance:

- Mary Spence
- Ray Crace
- Phil Bailey
- Athon Arant
- Sundee Luedecke
- Edith Arant
- Frank Chewing
- Mary Thompson
- Norma Curtis
- Jeanne Thornburg
- Dot Bandy

The first order of business was the reading and approval of the minutes from January 1, 2012.

In the absence of Bruce Motsinger, Mary Spence gave the Financial Report and reviewed it with everyone (see attached).

Ray Crace gave the Trustee Report, listing all the work the trustees have accomplished since their last report. He also discussed items the Trustees are planning to accomplish. (see attached)

Phil Bailey, Lay Leader, gave his report and discussed his perspective of his position and how he hopes to be more involved in this part of the church (see attached).

Norma Curtis, Chairperson of the SPPRC reported to Council that job reviews have been completed and discussed with employees. A request for Administrative Assistant of $1.00 per hour raise for Ms. Barbara Homen was made and recommended by SPPRC. A request from Ms. Suzie Moore, custodian, asking for a $2.00 per hour raise was presented. After the SPPRC had just met with Ms. Moore, they received a request for an increase in her salary. Due to the fact that they had just met and did not have time to schedule another meeting before April 15, we contacted all members of the committee for their input on this matter. The committee would like to present this request to the council without recommendation from the SPPRC. Ms. Moore was hired in 2007 and had not asked for or received a raise since her contractual employment with us. The question was asked about why she had worked that long and had not received a raise. Norma explained that she owned the janitorial company and that we had contracted with and it was not up to us to offer a raise, but rather it was up to her company to request an increase in payment for her services. The motion was made by Ray Crace; seconded by Frank Crewing; vote carried that the $2.00 per hour raise for Ms. Suzie Moore be approved. Norma asked the laisons of each of them to inform them of their increases the effective date of April 23, 2012.
Jeanne Thornburg, Chairperson of the Music Committee reported that having the Cantata at one service was very appropriate.

Frank Chewing, Chairperson of Outreach, reminded everyone of the Yard Sale and Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, April 21, 2012 at the Church from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm. He briefed everyone on the mission trip to Alabama for the Tornado Relief and the fundraiser (see attached).

In the absence of Sally Culpepper, Chairperson of the UMW, Edith Arant, reminded everyone about the upcoming UMW Spring Tea on Saturday, May 12, 2012 at high noon. This will be a ticketed event. Tickets will go on sale mid April. Be prepared to be “wowed” once again by the décor, food and speaker! The speaker will be in “period dress” of the Civil War era. So be sure to mark your calendar and save the date for a very entertaining afternoon! The tickets are available in the church office Monday-Thursday from 8 am until 1 pm, or see Edith Arant.

In the absence of Kay Kloppenburg, Church Hostess, and after much discussion, it was decided that we move the Pot Luck Supper to July. A motion was made by Frank Chewing; seconded by Phil Bailey; vote carried.

Sundee Luedecke, Chairman of the Nurture Committee, gave his report on the Stephen Ministry and their plans as their ministry grows (see attached).

Edith Arant, Chairperson of the Church Directory, reported that everything has been completed in getting the directories published and distributed.

NEW BUSINESS: Bruce Motsinger sent word that he would like to see a 5-year Plan (Trustees) instigated in our Church, since the old one is expiring.

PASTOR’S REPORT: Rev. Arant reported that the Advocate reflected that our Church had paid their apportionments in full (100%).

There were no reports from the following committees:

- Worship
- UMM
- Church Hostess
- Stewardship
- Scholarship
- Memorial
- Endowment
- Communication

The following were absent:
Frank Chewing made the motion that we adjourn and Ray Crace seconded the motion; vote carried.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. Arant.

Our next meeting will be July 125, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy S. Bandy
Acting Recording Secretary
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson, Mary Thompson, who then gave a short devotion and prayer.

The following members were present: Mary Thompson, Bruce Motsinger, Judy Motsinger, Toni Graham, Dot Bandy, Athon Arant, Sundee Ludecke, August Ludecke, Mary Spence, Jeanne Thornburg, Phil Bailey, and Lindy Stahlman.

Minutes from the April 12, 2012 were handed out. The name Mrs. Moore was deleted from the first page regarding salaries. Minutes were then approved, passed and carried. Bruce 1st, Phil 2nd.

Mary Spence, Finance Committee Chairperson, reported that giving is down 9%; that stewardship will use the same plan as previous years.

Bruce, Treasurer, gave out and reviewed the budget for the year to date; answered questions, reported a credit received from CPW and discussed pending improvements. The complete budget is attached and made a part of these Minutes.

August for Ray Crace gave the Trustees Report;
- Leak in parsonage roof repaired
- Atrium plants in planter beds removed and sprayed with Round-up; concrete floors shaped; an arbor of composite decking was built; top soil added (which was donated by Byron Thompson); block edging placed around the slab perimeter; a tree was removed and Crepe Myrtle trees trimmed; fountain was installed.
- Rotting bottom rails of the 16' sliding glass door was discovered and had to be repaired.
- Men’s work day was held to clean up church yard.
New item for discussion:
- A new sign for the front of the church was proposed by the Trustees. The existing sign has rotted and in such general disrepair that it would not be cost efficient to repair. A new sign would be two sided, lighted and seen from Rt. 378 and Pine Street. The cost would be approximately $9,000.00 including taxes, permit and electrical work. There is a total of approximately $5,500.00 from the Endowment and Memorial funds toward the cost. Members will be invited to contribute toward the balance.

Discussion was then held with Dot stating that the sign had been donated years ago by family members of a church member, now deceased; that it is a shame that these things will not be known in the church history. Discussion was held regarding ways donations of these types can be commemorated in the future. Dot will head a committee to decide how best this can be done. Jeanne said she would help. They will report back to the Council ideas.

Bruce answered questions regarding reasons the atrium renovations have been done and how they were done.

The Trustees report was voted on and carried. Bruce 1\textsuperscript{st}, Phil 2\textsuperscript{nd}.

Phil Bailey, Lay Leader, reported:
- He has begun articles in the Newsletter.
- Half of the Responsive Readers were new this year and will be willing to continue.
- Each third Sunday someone will be asked to give the pastoral prayer.
- He asked that we encourage the fellowship that we have at our church and not address the negatives but be open to inviting back those that have been absent.

Lindy, Nurture Committee Chairperson reported:
- Upcoming events planned are:
  - 8/5 – Christian Education Fair during Sunday School Hour
  - 9/2 – Labor Day service, informal attire
  - 9/9 – Communion Sunday (usher/acolyte training between services)
o 10/21 – Laity Sunday – Phil will organize men to take part in the service
o 11/4 – All Saints Sunday, candles will be lit for members who have died during the last year and for those whose memorial services were held during the year
o 11/25 – Advent study begins (ending 12/16)
o 12/1 – Day of preparation for Advent
o 12/2 – Hanging of the Greens services
o 12/24 – Christmas Eve communion services

• Discussion was held regarding flowers in the church and how members might be invited to donate flowers. It was agreed that artificial flowers were not an option.
• Discussion was held on ways to cut down on conversation during the Prelude
• Someone should be in charge of keeping pew materials updated.
• Possibility of using the sanctuary screen for hymns possibly on 5th Sundays
• Christian Education Fair materials will be set up in Fellowship Hall for members to review for possible changes in existing classes, new groups that could be formed, and publicity for this event.

SPPRC, Phil, Acting Chair, reported that Norma Curtis has resigned the post of Chairperson but will remain on the committee. Phil will be the Acting Chair for the remainder of the term.

Outreach Committee, in Frank Chewning’s absence, Mary Thompson read his report:
• A church team of nine and two from Abbeville went to DeKalb County, Alabama on April 30th to rebuild a home for a family that lost everything due to tornadoes. Church members had donated $10,000.00 for this project.
• Salkehatchie with 91 volunteers were in McCormick June 18-22 working on six projects. The Mission Fund will be underwriting materials for a new roof project.
• Sunday, September 2nd Ellen & Buzz Ditto will speak briefly to the congregation on the mission work they do year round in the states.
Saturday, September 15th, Gold Rush Day, the church will have a yard sale from 8 to 12

Church Hostess: It was announced that Kay Kloppenburg has resigned and Carol Bailey will take the position of Chair for the remainder of the term.

Stephen Ministers Committee, Sundee Ludecke, Chairperson, reported:
  • There are now 20 Stephen Ministers, 5 of whom are Leaders. At present 12 are caring for 14 care receivers.
  • Hospital visitation training has been completed and now aiding Pastor Athon when possible. Continuing Education has been being held.
  • “Stephen Ministry Corner” continues to be a column in the Trumpeter.
  • Training is being planned for 2013 for new Stephen Ministers

Memorial Committee, Judy Motsinger, Chairperson, reported a balance on hand of $6,278.00. There is a pending request for large print song books and bibles, $350.00; and, church sign $4,000.00.

Endowment Committee, Athon reported that Marilyn Meyer will assume the position of Chairperson since the passing of Don Groh. Motion was made and vote carried. Bruce 1st, Jeanne 2nd.

New Business – None

Old Business: Bruce previously asked the committee to be thinking of a five year plan for the future of the church, including the physical, activities and programs that would promote membership growth.

It was brought up that there is a young lady in the community that would be interested in working on a youth program. Lindy and Edith will be meeting with her shortly.

Discussion was held on the PPRC, Trustees and any interested members of the church meeting on Saturdays to discuss these ideas. There will need to be a Chair. The Council members said they will back any endeavor of this nature.

Bruce also brought up a recent article in the Augusta Chronicle regarding taking away religious freedoms in our country and how we could be more proactive in
fighting this trend and these groups. He will be writing a letter in this regard and will get back to the Committee to discuss to whom it will be sent. The Council will back Bruce in what he does in this regard.

There were no reports from Music, UMW, UMM, Stewardship, Scholarship, Communication or Church Directory.

The following were absent: Sally Culpepper, Jack Haffeman, Kay Kloppenburg, Penny Sockman, Lyn Bourne, Rick Lindley, Frank Chewning, Edith Arant, and Ray Crace.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Pastor Athon and adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next meeting will be October 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Graham, Secretary
McCormick United Methodist Church
Church Council Meeting
October 21, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson, Mary Thompson, who gave a short devotion and prayer.

The following members were present: Mary Thompson, Bruce Motsinger, Judy Motsinger, Dot Bandy, Athon Arant, Edith Arant, Sundee Ludecke, August Ludecke, Mary Spence, Jeanne Thornburg, Phil Bailey, Carol Bailey, Penny Sockman, Lindy Stahlman, Frank Chewning, Cartha Robinson.

Mary Thompson read the Minutes from July 15th meeting in the absence of Toni Graham. They were approved and passed.

Mary Spence gave the Finance Report, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part. Note: the original bank statement will be sent to the Finance Chair by the church secretary with a copy to the Treasurer. Who is charged with looking for anomalies, making pertinent comments and forwarding to the Treasurer. Objective is to provide checks and balances.

Bruce gave the Treasurer’s Report, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part. He complimented on the careful use of utilities. He encourage giving to the Endowment Fund. A report of offering comparisons is also attached. Giving is down 5% from last year.

August gave the Trustees Report in the absence of Ray Crace. A copy is attached hereto.

- Update on the atrium and the old and new signs. He said there is a need for people to clean the atrium area weekly;
- The kitchen committee has requested $900.00 for new china which was approved.
- Dot was appointed as Historian. Discussion followed on moving the old church sign.

Phil Bailey, Lay Leader, gave report stating:
Responsive Readers recruitment is going well; people giving the Pastoral Prayer on the third Sundays have also worked out well.

October 21st was Laity Sunday and Stewardship Sunday. Several laity participated in both services.

The laity is willing to participate where needed and some just need to be asked and encouraged.

Jeanne, Music Committee - no report.

Lindy, Worship Committee: reported there are four Sunday School classes, all dates of future activities reported at the July meeting, no changes.

Phil, SPPRC, report attached regarding church personnel compensations and raises. All approved and passed.

Frank, Outreach Committee: Detailed report attached as a part of the Minutes. There were questions about Burton Center needs for Christmas. Edith will work with Frank. New committee will make choices about where the available funds can go.

UMW: Carol Struck will be the new President.

Carol Bailey, Family Ministries Committee: Detailed report is attached as a part of these Minutes. Request for purchase of dishes from Memorial Fund as needed, motion was passed for $1,000.00 to be spent on dishes.

Penny, Stewardship Committee: Reported that the Stewardship Drive so far has received 57 families, $114,000.00 committed.

Sundee, Stephen Ministries: Detailed report is attached as part of these Minutes.

Judy, Memorial Committee: Large print bibles and hymnals have been purchased. There is $2,214.00 remaining.

Old Business: Letters were sent out to Bishop Advocate and others about anti-religious news item.
New Business: Bruce is going to get sales tax exemption for the church.

Athon, Pastor’s Report: The Advent Study will be on “Forgiveness”. The book will be $10.00.

The following were absent: Toni Graham, Sally Culpepper, Jack Haffeman, Lyn Bourne, Rick Lindley and Ray Crace.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Pastor Athon and adjourned at 8:40 p.m. The next meeting will be January 20, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Toni Graham, Secretary
From Lindy’s notes
McCormick United Methodist Church
Church Council Meeting
January 20, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson, Mary Thompson, who gave a short devotion and prayer.

Members present: Mary Thompson, Toni Graham, Madeleine Toland, Carol Struck, Linda Kidd, Athon Arant, Edith Arant, Lyn Bourne, Phil Bailey, Carol Bailey, Lindy Stahlman, Cartha Robinson, and Jeannie Thornburg.

After members read the Minutes of the October 21, 2012 meeting, they were approved and passed.

Lindy, Nurture Chairman, presented a list of what has been planned through Easter, that list is made a part hereof.

Madeleine Toland for August Luedecke, Board of Trustees, reported what has been done to the church to date. A meeting is planned for February 4th. A copy of the report is attached.

Lyn Bourne, Chair of PPRC, stated that there was a meeting with the new members and will meet with the District Superintendent in the future.

Mary Thompson for Mary Spence, Finance Committee, read that a meeting had been held; money coming in during 2012 was down 6% from 2011 and the first two Sundays of 2013 is down. With this in mind expenses will have to keep expenses to a minimum. All bills for 2012 are fully paid, including apportionments and all withholding taxes. Bruce, Fred Harboid, Rick Lindley and John Cotty will audit the books this week.

Mary Thompson reported for Sundee Luedecke, Stephen Ministry, that at present there are 17 Stephen Ministers, 5 of whom are leaders. 11 S.M.’s are caring for 13 care receivers. The hours spent with care receivers has averaged over 400 hours per year. A retreat was held on October 27, 2012 at Rosemary Pettus’ home; a column for SM’s in the Trumpeter is still being written to keep the congregation aware of their services. There were not enough people
interested to hold a training class so one for the fall is planned for additional Stephen Ministers.

Linda Kidd, Outreach Committee, is forming a committee of people in various groups in the church to be a part of the committee. Some chairpersons will automatically be a part of the committee.

Treasurer, Bruce Motsinger, was absent but a complete report is made a part of these Minutes.

Phil Bailey, Lay Leader, reported that there has been a good response for readers at the services. Lenten study books with devotional was discussed and will be looked into and ordered. Lenten Study, “The Way” will begin February 17th.

Lay Leader, Athon, stated that Bruce is taking over as President of UMM; a replacement for Curtis Baggett as Sunday School Chair is needed.

Lindy, Worship Committee. The report is the same as Education/Worship and in the future all of these will fall under the heading Nurture Committee.

Carol Bailey, Family Ministries, gave a report of what has been done during the last quarter and what is planned through Easter. She stated that sometime in the future that the existing dishwasher will have to be replaced and it is currently being researched as to what exactly is needed and how much will be the cost. A complete report of these activities is attached as part of these Minutes.

Nehemiah Work Team report from UMM was reported in detail and is made a part of these Minutes.

Carol Struck, UMW, reported that a bake sale is planned for Spring Bonanza and other fundraisers are being discussed; and World Day Apart is planned for March 9th at our church and 64 churches are involved. Refreshments will be needed.
Jeanne Thornburg, Music Director, stated that the organ is having problems and may need attention or a new organ in the future to be considered.

Cartha, for Young Adults, reported there was a Christmas shopping trip and everyone had a good time. They are planning on how to advertise to have a Girls Young Adult Bible Study for the community, as well as the church.

There were no reports from Lay Membership, Stewardship, Endowment, Memorial, Communication, Membership, Scholarship or Youth.

Old Business:

Mary brought up the previously discussed 5 year plan for the church and how it is to be done. It was discussed and decided that a poster board will be set up in the Fellowship Hall for ideas. Phil had several ideas to start off with. Toni will be putting a blurb in the Newsletter to the congregation to explain and ask for their input and ideas.

New Business: None

Next Council meeting will be April 21, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Athon dismissed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Graham, Secretary
McCormick United Methodist Church
Church Council Meeting
July 14, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson, Mary Thompson, who gave a short devotion and prayer.

Members present: Mary Thompson, Pastor Paul Wood, Kay Wood, Toni Graham, Bruce Motsinger, Mary Spence, Madeleine Toland, Linda Kidd, Rick Lindley, Lyn Bourne, Dot Bandy, Carol Bailey, Lindy Stahlman, Phil Bailey, Penny Sockman.

After members read the Minutes of April 21, 2013, they were approved and passed.

Phil for Sundee Luedecke, Stephen Ministry, reported there are 15 Ministers, 4 of who are Leaders, 9 Ministers are caring for 9 care receivers at this time. They continue to write for the Trumpeter, ask for any members struggling with crisis in their lives to call on the Stephen Ministers. A training class is planned for early September.

Outreach Missions, Linda reported the committee is trying to have Stop Hunger Now program to meet at McCormick UMC in the fall and the needs this would entail. The financial commitment to conference missionaries has been fulfilled. They are considering sponsoring a mission project at John’s Island. The week of June 15, 2013, 22 found approximately 100 participants at the Salkehatchie Summer Service Camp. The next fundraiser will be the church wide Yard Sale on Gold Rush Day, September 21, 2013. The detailed report is attached.

Worship/Education Committee, Lindy reported what the committee had done to welcome and inform Paul of the committee’s functions; looking into church wide bible studies. Detailed report is attached.

Family Ministries, Carol reported on the many meals made during the pastor change. The next Sunday Brunch will be September 29th. They will sponsor a summer fellowship event; 100 white dinner napkins and 12 round white table
clothes were donated by the SLV Wine Club; fundraisers are being planned to offset the expense of a commercial dishwasher. Detailed report is attached.

UMM – Bruce reported that an August 1\textsuperscript{st} baseball trip is planned and only a few tickets are left.

Stewardship, Penny reported the committee will be meeting to establish dates.

Scholarship, Mary reported for Mitch that applications must be turned in by July 30\textsuperscript{th}.

Communications, Rick reported that pastor's name will be changed on all ads and the website has been updated. The sign is also being changed next week. A detailed report is attached.

Flowers, Lindy reported for Madge that the flower calendar is mostly being filled with Madge and Tillie filling in when necessary. Paul will announce from the pulpit who donated the flowers.

Lay Member of the Annual Conference, Dot reported on the conference. A discussion was had regarding subscriptions to Methodist Advocacy. Linda made a motion that the magazine be paid for by the church sent to certain members, up to 20. Motion was passed and carried.

Lay Leader, Phil reported on the willingness and acceptance by the congregation of the new pastor and the changes that are being made. Report attached.

SPPRC, Lyn reported that Betty Youngs will be checking on organist, Janet Fitts', plans for the future.

Finance, Bruce reported on the church finances and that we are ahead on the giving. The complete report is attached.

Trustees report by Madeleine for August, reported on projects completed or undertaken during the second quarter of 2013. Discussion was held on not the church not being able to purchase a commercial dishwasher. Carol said they are looking into fundraisers for that purchase of approximately $5,000.00 installed.
A complete report is attached.

Church Council Chair, Mary reported that there is a problem with not contacting members who have not been attending. Discussion was held regarding different ways these people can be accounted for and contacted. Bruce and Paul will work together on how this can be done. Carol and Dot will help.

Pastor Paul reported on two members’ illnesses, Nancy Wolf in rehab and Kathleen Price receiving a pacemaker. He plans to talk with a few Church Council members about their roles. He is arranging soon for the Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development to meet. There was discussion on the need for a new 5 year plan and that should take no longer than six months to accomplish. There are now and will be a few changes in the order of worship. The Wood’s have a few dates in August in which they had planned to be away. Paul and Kay thanked everyone for their help in the moving transition. Report is attached.

There were no reports from Music, Memorial Fund, Endowment Fund, Young Adult Ministries, Youth Ministries.

The next meeting will be held October 20, 2013.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Graham, Secretary
McCormick United Methodist  
Special Church Council Meeting  
September 15, 2013

Present: Mary Thompson, Toni Graham, Bruce Motsinger, Lyn Bourne, Paul Wood, Sundee and August Luedecki, Jeanne Thornburg, Linda Kidd, Penny Sockman, Lindy Stahlman, Dot Bandy, Phil Bailey.

Special meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mary Thompson. Paul gave a short devotion.

Penny passed out the 2013-14 Financial Campaign Schedule on Stewardship. The detailed report is attached.

Lyn Bourne reported that the SPPRC is recommending a 2% increase for everyone under their jurisdiction with the exception of the custodian, who just received a pay increase. These increases will go into effect January, 2014. They are as follows:

- Pastor: $71,617.00 to $72,749.00
- Adm. Asst.: $14,742.00 to $15,037.00
- Music: $7,604.00 to $7,756.00
- Accompanist: $7,604.00 (no one in the position at present)
- Custodian: $6,240.00 or $10.00 per hour

It was voted on and passed unanimously. Discussion was held. It was again voted on and passed unanimously.

- Bruce explained the Pastor’s package and how it is allocated.
- Search for an accompanist is ongoing.

Paul gave the Pastor’s Report:
- Dot Bandy is the Finance Committee Chairperson, no long in an acting capacity. This was voted on and passed unanimously.
- Explained the adjustments of previous committees and how they will be changed and combined in the future.
- Explained the Strategic Planning Committee and those chosen for the committee.
• Read the positions that will be on the Church Council in the future.
• It was noted that Stephen’s Ministers will no longer be represented on the Church Council. It was discussed and decided that Stephen’s Ministers’ reports will be presented to the Church Council by the Pastor.

Lyn reported that the Memorial Fund will supply $3,900.00 toward computers.

Mary closed with prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Graham, Secretary
McCormick United Methodist Church
Called Council Meeting
December 10, 2013

In attendance: Mary Thompson, Toni Graham, Bruce Motsinger August Luedecke, Dot Bandy, Paul Wood, Phil Bailey, Carol Bailey, Lyn Bourne, Lindy Stahlman and Linda Kidd.

Chairperson, Mary, opened the meeting with prayer at 7:00 p.m.

Bruce presented the proposed budget with explanations of changes. The changes were voted on and passed. A complete copy of the budget is attached hereto.

Pastor Paul:

- Reported that a Membership Audit is necessary to purge the church rolls. It was decided that he get with the Nominating Committee to choose a couple of people that would be appropriate for this task.
- He reported that Fred Magrudger has resigned from the Board of Trustees, the Nominating Committee with nominate a replacement and the Church Council will elect the replacement at the January meeting.
- On January 5, 2014, the Strategic Planning Team will make a report to the congregation. The congregation will be encouraged to give a lot of input. There will be one worship service at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Jim Arant guiding us through this planning process. A chili dinner will then be provided free of charge.
- The new Windows 8 operating system is up and running. A thank you to Rick Lindley and Mitch Mitchell for their role in acquiring and setting it up. There are two new laptops with one being available for general use around the church. It is to be reserved through Barbara.

Phil brought up purchasing subscriptions to The Advocate and the costs for each increment. It was decided to purchase ten subscriptions. He will get the specific names.
Linda, Outreach Committee, reported that Chris Pope, the Middle School Coach transported the Fellowship of Christian Athletes to Clemson for Rally in the Valley at a cost of $415.00. Eleven members committed themselves to Christ.

After excusing Paul, Bruce discussed with the Council the Christmas checks to be given to staff. It was decided that Paul will receive $200; Barbara $100; Jeanne $100; Suzie and Ken $100 each. It was voted on and passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Graham, Secretary
PRESENT: Carol Bailey, Phil Bailey, Dot Baggett, Gail Gore, Ken Green, Linda Kidd, Ronnie Kidd, Rick Lindley, Bruce Motsinger, Larry Ream, Carol Struck, Mary Thompson, Jeanne Thornburg, Don Tummons, Beverly Western, Paul Wood

Mary Thompson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7 pm. Don Tummons gave the devotional after which Mary read an article on why people do not attend church.

Strategic Planning:
Ken Green stated that he feels there is a quorum at this meeting to act on the Strategic Planning Team recommendations. He reported that on April 27 the congregation proposed a mission statement and vision statement to be presented to the Church Council tonight for approval. He added that he feels the goals should be approved as well.

Following motions by Beverly Western and seconds by Bruce Motsinger, the vote was unanimous to approve both the mission and vision statements as presented from the Strategic Planning Team.

Paul Wood stated that the goals are more of a framework for the Strategic Plan; they are not fixed in stone. Ken added that the Strategic Plan should interface with existing programs of the church. Beverly made the motion with a second from Bruce to approve the goals as presented from the Strategic Planning Team; the motion carried unanimously. Paul added that on Thursday morning, May 29, all who signed up on April 27 will be invited to come to the church fellowship hall for a training event.

Communications: Rick Lindley gave an update on the church’s website, encouraging everyone to look at it and let him know of any changes, edits, new photos, etc.

Education: Don Tummons stated the Education Committee has had two meetings since the last meeting. "What It Means To Be a Methodist" begins tomorrow night (Monday) and will continue for four Mondays of May. On Sunday, August 24, from 8 am to noon, a Ministry Fair featuring all groups in church is planned; it will include educational materials for Sunday School classes. A new Sunday School Class is being formed – will begin in September, will be Biblically based and will focus on short topics.

Evangelism: Paul reported in the absence of Lindy Stahlman. He said that Lindy would say “thank you” to everyone for the prayers for her Mom. The Evangelism Committee will address the work that is outlined by the Strategic Plan.

Family Ministries: Carol Bailey presented a written report that is made a part of these minutes.

Finance: Dot Baggett reported that the Audit Committee met on January 20 and completed the church audit. Paul sent the audit report to the Greenwood District Office.

Lay Leader: Phil Bailey presented a written report that is made a part of these minutes.

Lay Member of AC: It was announced that Dot Bandy will be replaced by Phil Bailey as Lay Member for this year. Phil attended the event today that was led by Rev. Jim Arant entitled “A More Excellent Way”. Phil reported that he has information from this event and will share it with others.
Music: Jeanne Thornburg – No report.

Outreach: Linda Kidd presented a written report that is made a part of these minutes.

SPRC: Ronnie Kidd – No report.

Stewardship: No report.

Treasurer: Bruce Motsinger presented written financial reports that are made a part of these minutes. He mentioned a couple of items – insurance and gas – that are running close to budget. He reported that first quarter apportionments have been paid. Regarding organ repair, he stated that the mother board had to be replaced at $1,500. Bruce emphasized promoting giving to the church Endowment Fund. Effective June 1, Larry Ream will take over the duties of Treasurer.

Trustees: Larry Ream presented a written report that is made a part of these minutes. It was reported that Bruce Motsinger will be the designated church representative for legal matters/issues for the church.

United Methodist Men: Bob Rennie – No report – the next UMM meeting is Tuesday, May 6.

United Methodist Women: Carol Struck reported that four women of the church attended the UMW Spiritual Growth Retreat at Lake Junaluska on May 2 and 3. UMW will sponsor a Craft Bazaar that will incorporate entertaining and learning on Saturday October 4. The number of Bereavement Committee members was increased from 2 to 3.

Worship: Gail Gore presented a written report that is made a part of these minutes.

Pastor: Pastor Paul presented a written report that is made a part of these minutes.

Pastor Paul presented revised Creighton Scholarship Committee guidelines. Following some discussion, Ronnie Kidd made the motion to accept this as information; the motion was seconded by Bruce Motsinger and passed unanimously. Paul is to get back with the Scholarship Committee to redefine some areas.

Gail Gore commented that information on organizations of the church such as Sunday School classes should be included in the new church directory; Pastor Paul commented that the new directory will not be a pictorial directory. Jane Fairburn offered to do this project.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:10 pm. Next meeting: Sunday, July 20, 2014 – 7 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Kidd for Toni Graham, Secretary
McCormick United Methodist
Church Council Meeting
July 20, 2014

Present: Mary Thompson, Bruce Motsinger, Toni Graham, Paul Wood, Kay Wood, Lindy Stahlman, Dot Baggett, Rick Lindley, Harry Shelley, Beverly Western, Bob Rennie, Don Tummons.

Chairperson, Mary, opened with devotion and prayer at 7:00 p.m.

Beverly, Strategic Planning Committee, reported that the Community Function Team has developed a t-shirt with the logo “Reaching Up Reaching Out” on the back; the United Methodist cross and flame on the sleeve, and the name of McCormick United Methodist Church on the front. Adopting the logo was motioned, seconded and passed unanimously. The cost of the shirts will be $15.00. The shirts will be available to be ordered July 27th and will be used for the Gold Rush Parade. All members will be encouraged to purchase the shirts. There will be a float in the parade.

Rick, Communications Coordinator, reported on the new website, recent improvements, pages that still need work, future digital ministry, benefits and costs, and print ads to be added with the new mission statement and Kay Wood as Minister of Discipleship. The complete report is added to and made a part of these Minutes.

Don, Education Chair, reported
- Upcoming Ministry Fair, August 24th.
- A new class will be starting in September under the acronym SALT (Sharing and Learning Together). It will be short classes for “sprinters”. The first five weeks will be led by Don Tummons. Then Penny Sockman will lead another series of classes.
- Paul will again be teaching Methodism 101 each Sunday night in October.
- There will be a survey on long term bible studies, what types (couples, singles, small groups, etc.)
Don, for Carol Bailey, Family Ministries, reported that a brunch is being planned for August 31st as a kick-off of the school year.

Lindy, Evangelism Chair, reported on their mission:
- To read the book “Me? An Evangelist?”, do a study, and distribute the books;
- Invite newcomers to the area to attend our church. Bill Skelton has agreed to divide our county into neighborhoods.
- Continue to attend Newcomer Coffees.
- Work with the Welcome Christ Care Group meeting and recording visitors to our church and do Sunday afternoon “drive-by’s”

Phil Bailey, Lay Leader, Mary read Phil’s report, that he is excited about the renewed energy in the church under the new mission. He is seeing a spiritual renewal in the structured committees and programs within the church. He is excited about the future of our church.

Secretary Toni read Minutes of the last meeting May 4, 2014 by Linda Kidd. They were voted on and passed.

Bruce Motsinger passed out and explained the Financial Report for June 2014. All apportionments have been paid. He stressed giving to the Endowment Fund when doing our personal financial planning. He reported that we are down somewhat in giving but nothing substantial.

Harry, Trustee Co-Chair, reported
- The many repairs and projects of the church and grounds and parsonage;
- Replacement of carpet; new flooring in Fellowship Hall being investigated;
- Proposal of possibility of using the parlor as a prayer room as requested by Arvid Perez and the Prayer and Spiritual Life Ministry Team.
- Research proposal of enlarging a classroom or perhaps two classes swapping rooms depending on their attendance;
- Roof repair status;
- Mulch the parsonage as needed;
A complete report is attached and made a part of these Minutes.

Bob, UMMen reported on upcoming speakers and planned outings. He thanked Mitch Mitchell for the additional speakers in the Fellowship Hall. He is planning on adding the officer’s names to the website. Attendance to the UMM meetings has been between 35-40. The complete report is attached and made a part of these Minutes.

Carol Struck, UMW President, Mary reported that the last meeting was well attended. The two speakers were very informative. And, the meeting was a potluck salad dinner. A basket was passed and the monies collected were donated to the speaker for First Steps. The amount was $257.00.

Pastor Paul reported on upcoming events and meeting; encouraged us to send pictures for the website. He reported on his and Kay’s upcoming trip to China and what plans for the church are while they are away in September. The complete report is made a part of these Minutes.

Kay spoke on her new job description for pastoral care, worship, growth in discipleship and how the ministry will help and enhance the already in place ministries. Welcome aboard Kay. The complete report is made a part of these Minutes.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Graham, Secretary
McCormick United Methodist
Church Council Minutes
October 19, 2014


Chairperson, Mary, opened the meeting at 7:15 p.m. with Phil Bailey giving a short devotion.

Pastor Paul of the Nomination Committee explained the division of Media and Communications. He asked for approval of Barb Shelley becoming Communications Coordinator and Rick Lindley to assume the new position of Media Specialist. Motion was made, seconded and passed.

Don Tummons, Education Committee Chair, reported the success of the Ministry Fair; SALT has completed its first session, the second session is underway about prayer led by Rev. Kay Wood. The ministry team of spiritual gifts will begin in January. They will use the SALT time. Advent lesson will begin November 30th, topic to be announced. Methodism 101 will end October 26th.

Lindy Stahlman, Evangelism Committee Chair, explained how this new committee has combined forces with two strategic planning ministry teams. The committee of eleven has met and made progress in many evangelism services. All church members are encouraged to consider themselves part of this endeavor.

Carol Bailey, Family Life Ministries, reported

- Events in August and September and upcoming dinner following November concert of Ed Kilbourne a lunch for John de la Howe students who will be coming with Dr. Webb on December 14th;
• Revitalizing existing Pairs and Spares, going back to original intent of new members getting to know others. It will begin in January. Judy Motsinger will coordinate this new endeavor. Toni Graham stepped down.

• Explained that Family Life Ministries will support any new Strategic Planning groups that involve use of the kitchen if it does not interfere with regular events. The strategic planning ministry teams, however, will be responsible for the planning and for the people to implement the event.

• Reported that they will be purchasing new flatware for a large number.

• The dishwasher is presently not ready to be used.

Phil Bailey, Lay Leader reported on Laity Sunday preached by Don Tummons; Taylor Campbell preached on September 28th. There are several new lay readers for both services; encouraged by the atmosphere and frequent visitors.

Jeannie Thornburg, Music Director, reported on the success of the Flash Mob at Goldrush Parade.

Gail Gore, absent Worship Committee Chair, Paul reported on

• The upcoming Blue Christmas will be Tuesday, December 16th.

• November 13th, the Vital Worship Ministry Team will lead a blended contemporary and traditional service at 10:00. Lunch will follow.

• Usher training will begin in January

• Stephen Ministry Sunday is November 16th;

• All Saints Worship Service will be November 2nd. Each service will begin with recognition of the saints, hymn singing, prayers, etc. Ed will then lead the remainder of each worship service. Lunch will follow at 11:30. Ed will perform in concert at 4:00 that afternoon.

Rick Lindley, Media Specialist, reported on new graphic header on website; updates to “About Us”, “Christ Care”, photographs; and calendar page on Google; added print ads of “Reaching Up Reaching Out” and Kay Wood, Minister of Discipleship. She still will be working on Christian Education.

Barb Shelley, Communications Coordinator, reported they will reach out to contact all members of the congregation will telephone calls beginning in January.
Mary Wright, convener of the Spiritual Gifts Ministry Team, reported classes will begin in January on discerning spiritual gifts. This will help in matching positions in the church effectively. A sign-up sheet was sent around the Council for taking this series. Specific details will be presented at the next Council meeting.

Linda Kidd, absent Outreach Chair. Ronnie handed out a report of what the committee has accomplished to date, upcoming mission trip and projects.

Jane Fairburn, Stewardship Committee, reported the review of last year's Time and Talent spread sheets to be distributed to the various committees. Accomplishments to date: brochure on Stewardship; Snippets for The Blast; information for the website; stewardship letter provided to the congregation; stewardship speakers during October. Paul and Phil revised the Time and Talent sheet to be used by the congregation.

Larry Ream, Treasurer, passed out the budget for the year to date. Most everything is on budget and will be completely inline by the end of the year. Most apportionments are paid.

Larry Ream, Trustee Co-Chair, reported on recently completed projects to the parsonage and church. There are many projects underway and projects under consideration. They are researching putting carpet or laminate in areas of the church that are soiled.

Bob Rennie, UMM President, reported on past and future speakers, contributions. Attendance has been low but The Blast is helpful in informing men of what is coming up; Ray Crace needs help mulching Children's Home. There will be a UMM meeting in Myrtle Beach on February 20, 2015. The $75.00 registration fee will be paid by the church.

Ronnie Kidd, SPRC Chair, asked that Paul and Kay Wood, and Jeannie Thornburg step outside the room while salary increases were discussed. All proposed increases for Pastor, Adm. Asst., Music Director, Accompanist, Custodian, with travel expenses of Minister of Discipleship be paid, was motion made and passed. Custodian works under the guidance of the Board of Trustees.
Kay Wood, Minister of Discipleship, reported her official appointment and that she is visiting members that are ill or in assisted living and nursing homes and provides devotional material; attended team meetings; plans on six week course on “Praying”; class for the Stephen Ministers with Phil Bailey. She is preparing for charge conference in November; assisting Paul with worship activities.

Paul Wood, Pastor, reported on the upcoming Charge Conference, reported on Stephen Ministries, UM calendars needed; Greenwood District Leadership Training Event will be held November 16th; Bishop’s Roadshow. November 22nd. Reported on connectional responsibilities in Columbia and he is Disaster Response Coordinator.

The meeting was adjourned in prayer at 8:55 p.m. The next meeting will be December 9th at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Graham, Secretary

Complete committee reports are attached to the Minutes and made a part hereof for more specific details.
MUMC Council Minutes for Dec. 9, 2014

Present:  Paul Wood, Larry Ream, Gail Gore, Carol Bailey, Rick Lindley, Phil Bailey, Mary Thompson, Dot Baggett, Lindy Stahlman, Don Tummons, Barb Shelley

Finance Committee:  Dot mentioned the hallway floor project.  It will cost $8500 - $9600, Regions CD will be used to pay for cost.  This was unanimously approved.

Trustees:  Larry reviewed the flooring contract and the materials to be used and discussion followed.  Larry mentioned the reduction of a phone line which was not being used but had been included in the telephone bill.  Need for an escrow fund was discussed for future pastor moving expenses.  2015 budget for church repairs will be increased from $3000 in 2014 to $8000 in the 2015 budget.  This is due to cost for moving a power panel from beneath church, upgrade of power panel in atrium, and replacing steps to single door on Pine Street side leading into church building.  An increase of $2500 for resurfacing of parking areas was added to budget for 2015.

Communications:  Barb reported an increase of $1000 due to needed upgrade in church website.

Finance:  Dot reviewed the 2015 Budget total expenses and the projected income.  The 2015 budget was unanimously approved for $257,617.  The projected income is from 84 commitment cards of $207,617 and $50,000 from additional uncommitted giving (based upon 2014 income).

The Safe Sanctuaries Policy was discussed along with our need to establish volunteers for the nursery.  Following that and, as suggested by the SCUMC, query the Criminal & Sex Offender Registry upon each volunteer’s approval.  This will be at no cost to the nursery volunteer.  Phil agreed to work with Sue Mitchell, nursery volunteer coordinator, to obtain names of volunteers for this process and to proceed according to the SCUMC guidelines. The Council voted to re-approve the Safe Sanctuaries Policy of McCormick United Methodist Church.

Paul thanked Mary Thompson as Council Chair and Phil Bailey as Lay Leader, for fulfilling their three-year commitment.  All other Council members will return in 2015 in their current assignments.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Phil Bailey substituting for Secretary Toni Graham
The Church Council of McCormick UMC met December 8, 2020. Chairman Toni Graham called the meeting to order. Thirteen members were present. Pastor Nels Ledwell opened with prayer.

Toni Graham moved that the minutes from the September 20, 2020 Charge Conference be accepted. Ronnie Hutto seconded the motion. All present approved.

Larry Ream, treasurer, submitted a financial report summary for the month of November 2020. Linda Kidd, Evangelism Committee Chairman, reported in writing the obstacles imposed by Covid-19, while praising the persistence of many in moving forward with MUMC's Christian work. Harry Shelley, Trustees Chairman, also submitted a written report detailing completed tasks, as well as continuing and future jobs, such as the church wide cleanup on December 12 and on December 15, the addition of a storage closet in the nursery.

SPRC chairman, Beverly Western announced the parsonage walk-through and the Christmas gift collection for the staff were handled satisfactorily. She moved that the SPRC budget for 2020-2021 be approved. Larry gave a second to this motion. The motion carried.

Discussions pertaining to these committee reports focused on communication concerns and other issues arising from Covid-19 adaptations. Communications coordinator, Barb Shelley expressed the need for coordination of meeting dates and for confidentiality with names during live-streaming. Names for the prayer list should first be given to Pastor Nels or pass through the office before listing for the Blast or the church bulletin for confidentiality reasons. Several councilmen questioned the number and time of the Sunday service. Pros and cons of returning to two services with a change of time or continuing with one service at ten o'clock were presented. With no definitive conclusion, Barb Shelley and Lindy Stahman agreed to prepare a survey which will first be given to the Church Council with the idea that all MUMC members will then participate in this survey.

As there was no old business, the chairman called on Pastor Nels for two matters of new business. First, Pastor Nels wants our church to move forward to establish a virtual church membership. The McCormick community has many who may be unable to attend in person but want a church home and the congregational care of a church home. Since MUMC already offers a live-stream service, the next step would be to advertise this service with an invitation to become a virtual member. Barb Shelley suggested we post information on Neighborlink. Lindy Stahman suggested Pastor Nels prepare an informative message for Barb Shelley.

The second item of new business concerned the church organ which has developed problems. Repairing this old organ is not a practical solution. Removing the organ and replacing with a new one, removing the organ and replacing with a keyboard, or removing the organ with no replacement were options discussed. The Church Council concluded for the present the organ
The Church Council of McCormick UMC met on January 16, 2020, with fourteen members present. Toni Graham, Chairman, called the meeting to order with a devotional on the importance of Christians working together. Rev. Nels Ledwell followed with a prayer.

Emphasizing positive outlooks, Christian discipleship, and evangelism, Toni Graham opened her first meeting as chairman as well as the first meeting of 2020. Barb Shelley moved that the minutes from the December 9, 2019, meeting be approved with a second to this motion by Linda Kidd; the motion carried.

Committee chairmen filed reports prior to this meeting. Each chairman reviewed his/her report, allowing council members to express questions or concerns. All committee reports were approved. The following were some of the specific concerns/questions:

- Chairman of the Family Ministries Committee, Don Tummons discussed a February 4 breakfast possibly with the community invited. Larry Ream questioned if donations would be taken to help with expenses.
- Dates for Easter season services were established: February 26, 2020, for the Ash Wednesday service and April 9, 2020, for the Maundy Thursday production A Portrait of Calvary, directed by Don Tummons.
- Jeanne Thornburg, UMW president, stated that Tina Sims was the new UMW secretary. All other officers will remain the same as last year. World Day of Prayer will be held at MUMC on March 6, 2020. As host, the UMW will make plans for this event at the January 30, 2020 meeting.
- Harry Shelley, Board of Trustees chairman, discussed the activation of the security plan. Not all issues have answers yet and will take time. Solutions should not get too sophisticated but cannot be as simple as handing out keys.
- Barb Shelley, communications chairman and trustee, plans to work with Carol Wieboldt and lead a spring-cleaning initiative in several areas of the church building, but especially in the kitchen.
- Barb Shelley suggested “Time and Talent Survey” should be more specific and timely. As chairman of communications, more specifics about groups at the church would benefit those individuals helping with communications.
- Linda Kidd, Evangelism Committee chairman, temporarily leading the Mission Outlook Committee since Bruce Motsinger’s departure. The Souper Bowl of Caring, a local hunger benefit, will take place in February 2020. A recipient of these donations will be decided by this committee.

Concerning projects to speak to greater MUMC awareness in the community, Toni Graham introduced a Random Acts of Kindness movement which might begin small (within MUMC) but spread to the schools (with help from educational leaders) and gradually to the community. Linda Kidd, having talked to two school personnel leaders suggested these two individuals meet with the Council at the next meeting and especially talk to Barb Shelley about setting up a possible website.

Rev. Ledwell asked for all corrections on the Church Leadership 2020 handout and asked the Council to consider any new goals that should be included in our mission statement. He reminded Council members of the possibility of an impending split in the UMC later this year, maybe as early as August, and of the Council’s leadership role if this happens.

The Church Council will meet again on Thursday, April 16, 2020, at 7 pm. Prayers for all and especially for a health concern for one of the Council members concluded the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Caren Larate
should be removed, allowing for more room for sound equipment. Decisions about any replacement will happen in the future if the need arises.

Pastor Nels closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Caren Larate, secretary
McCormick United Methodist Church  
Church Council Minutes  
December 16, 2021  


After Chairperson Toni Graham called the meeting to order, Pastor Ledwell opened with prayer.

Harry Shelley moved the minutes from the September 16, 2021, Council meeting be approved. Barb Shelley gave a second to his motion, and all approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to approve the 2022 budget from the Finance Committee. The following committee reports were given prior to the presentation of the budget:
Barb Shelley, Communications Coordinator, encouraged sending of emails concerning church activities to avoid calendar conflicts.
Ron Hutto, Stewardship Committee Chairman, announced 56 pledges thus far, totaling $165,990.00 for 2022.
Donna Hutto, Worship Committee Chairperson, hopes to find a new location, instead of Bakers Creek State Park, for the church picnic.
A new committee, the Hospitality Committee, will be led by Wendy Kvale.
Evangelism Committee Chairperson, Linda Kidd reported 238 letters have been sent to mostly new couples in our community since March 2021. A new member orientation will be scheduled in January.
Harry Shelley, Trustees Chairman, discussed the possibility of selling the church’s storage building since someone has expressed an interest in purchasing. Toni Graham asked for a motion to allow Harry to look into the feasibility of this transaction. Larry Ream so moved. Pastor Ledwell expressed his disapproval of such, based on his idea that church property should not be so readily sold. Ron Hutto gave a second to Larry Ream’s motion. Though the motion passed, Pastor Ledwell opposed it.
Bob Rennie, UMM President, announced the next Methodist Men meeting will be held on January 7, 2022. Small numbers attending, need for more cooks, difficulty predicting how much to prepare, problem finding speakers.... these were his concerns.

Following these committee reports, Bob Garner, Finance Chairman, presented the 2022 budget. (See attached) He moved that this budget be approved. Beverly Western gave a second to his motion, and all approved.

Pastor Ledwell announced Kim Jackson needs approval as the head of the Congregational Care Committee. All approved.
Pastor Ledwell closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Caren Larate, recording secretary
McCormick United Methodist Church  
Church Council Minutes  
January 21, 2021


Harry Shelley moved the minutes from the December 8, 2020, meeting be approved. Ron Hutto seconded the motion. All approved.

Several committees reported. Linda Kidd, Evangelism chairman, reported in writing the contacts made by her committee and the committee’s assurance of working toward the Council’s goals. Donna Hutto, Worship chairman, reported Baker’s Creek State Park has been reserved for the April 4, 2021, sunrise service. Harry Shelley, Trustees chairman, reported the trustees will meet in February and continue work on the parsonage.

With no old business to discuss, Chairman Toni Graham directed attention to the new business of approving the budget for 2021. Bob Garner, Finance chairman, presented the 2021 budget and moved that the Council approve this budget. Larry Reams seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion was approved.

The Council then discussed another matter of new business: church membership. Due to changes brought forth by COVID restrictions, church attendance has changed. Many attend virtually; some members are moving. The Council discussed ways to encourage more online attendance with the goal of bringing more into God’s brotherhood.

Rev. Ledwell’s update began with the limited visiting allowed due to COVID regulations. His reluctant announcement that choir director, Jeanne Thornburg, was retiring, was followed by Chairman Toni Graham reading a letter from Jeanne expressing her plans to move. Though all good wishes go to Jeanne as she makes this transition, all members were sad to hear this news.

No plans for the next meeting have been announced. Rev. Ledwell closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Caren Larate, secretary
MCCUMC - CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES       JUNE 17, 2021

Members present were Toni, Don, Lindy, Linda, Larry, Ronnie, Barb, Harry & Donna.

Chairman Toni opened with prayer. A motion by Lindy to approve the minutes of April 19 was made with a second by Harry. Motion approved.

Note from Gale stating that Sunday School would be starting back after July 4th.

Linda reported that the Evangelism committee would be meeting shortly. Sending letters with contact info about the church to new people. Toni had talked with new folks who are going back and forth from other churches.

Don has planned a July 25th opening of the “Café Du Don & John”. Sausage and pancakes will be served beginning at 8:30 before service. A $5.00 donation is requested. August 8th they are planning a brunch after church, donations will be requested.

Ron is putting out ideas for the 2021 Stewardship drive.

Harry reported the air conditioning unit has been replaced via a very generous donation. A portable P/A System was also purchased with a donation. The parking lot is to be sealed sometime in Sept. Finished parsonage repairs. Plan to put a screen around air conditioning unit. Plans are in the making to enhance the kitchen. Don will sketch design and will donate $1,000 toward the renovation. Estimated cost will be $18,000.

The organ will be donated/moved to free up space. Sue Yerdon to donate a portable organ.

Coach Rico volunteered his students from McCormick to help with any of the Church’s projects.

Barb asked all to double check the calendar before sending out notices to be posted. Also don’t forget to use Amazon, every penny helps.

Donna will be having a Worship comm. meeting shortly to discuss our service and picnic on August 29th at the Baker Creek Pavilion. Plan to have hamburgers and hot dogs.

Pastor Nels was unable to attend. Lindy presented his notes. (Attached) She also requested singers for July 4th. Quick practice on Wednesday June 30th.

Comm. Chairs were asked to contact their members to see if they would be willing to serve another year due to the covid interruption.

Toni closed with prayer.

Submitted by Donna Hutto for Caren Larate
McCormick United Methodist Church
Church Council Minutes
March 18, 2021

The McCormick UMC Council met March 18, 2021, with twelve members present. Following the call to order by Council chairman, Toni Graham, Rev. Nels Ledwell opened with prayer.

Harry Shelley moved the minutes from the January 21, 2021, meeting be approved. Beverly Western seconded the motion. All present approved.

Barb Shelley told the Council of the need for meeting times to be sent to her for communication purposes in the Blast, especially with more meetings beginning to happen since the lockdown. Ron Hutto inquired about the status of the church organ. Rev. Ledwell responded that the church organ is not functional.

Bob Garner brought forth the new business approved by the Finance committee, asking the Council to vote in favor of Vanco, an eGiving tool for churches. This program simplifies donations to church and missions, especially with more emphasis given to virtual ministry. After some discussion, Barb Shelley moved that the Council accept this program for our church. Toni Graham seconded the motion, and all present approved.

Another new business matter discussed was the survey to help the Council know how to move forward with masks and number of services on Sunday. The mask survey may be answered online (starting 3/23/21) and at church on a paper copy (starting 3/28/21). Barb Shelley will update the Council on the survey results. The survey deadline is April 16, 2021.

Plans for Easter Sunrise service were discussed with Donna Hutto, Worship committee chairman, questioning the mask policy for this service. Masks will be required and each individual must bring his/her own chair. The Republican UMC minister, Rev. Tim Jones, will preach, and there will be no charge to enter Baker’s Creek State Park. With all of these arrangements made by the Worship Committee, Donna Hutto mentioned her committee would like to purchase a sound system in the near future.

Rev. Ledwell’s only update was to make the Worship Committee aware that communion would be served on Easter morning at the 10 a.m. service.

Lindy Stahlman moved that the Council adjourn and Harry Shelley seconded the motion. All present approved. Rev. Ledwell closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Caren C. Larate, secretary
Fifteen members attended the Thursday, March 16, 2023 Church council meeting: Bob Gamer, Toni Graham, Donna Hutto, Ron Hutto, Wendy Kvale, Nels Ledwell, Larry Ream, Don Smith, Lindy Stahlman, Beverly Western, Connie Tremke, Linda Kidd, Kim Jackson, Rich Jackson, Julianne Coleman

Chairperson Toni Graham opened the meeting at 7pm calling on Lindy Stahlman to lead the council in prayer. Beverly Western moved the minutes from the December 15, 2022, meeting be approved. Lindy Stahlman seconded the motion; all approved.

Toni Graham read the council a letter of resignation received from Caren Larate. Julianne Coleman was introduced as new recording secretary.

**New Business**

Wendy Kvale gave an update of the Next Steps Committee’s last meeting in which it was agreed that all affiliation options except Global Methodist or going independent were ruled out. All other options would involve a Trustee Clause, eliminating them from further consideration. Their next meeting is on March 28, 2023 and they expect to set up town meetings again informing the congregation of specifics on each option, and then hopefully have a Church Meeting in late April for a vote. Wendy and Nels Ledwell left the meeting after this update.

*Pastor Update* will be given at the next meeting.

**Committee Reports**

**Board of Trustees Report** (Lindy Stahlman for Harry Shelley)
There are plans to reduce the size of the current nursery to make room for a food bank and a smaller nursery. Rich Jackson said the cost for moving a wall and adding a door would be approximately $500. A drawing of the plan was circulated for review. Larry Ream noted that this would be a capital expenditure so it would need to be approved and that the Endowment Fund could possibly be used to cover the cost. The council approved the project and authorized the Trustees to coordinate with the Finance Committee and Treasurer to determine the best way to fund the work.

**Evangelism Committee** (Linda Kidd)
The written minutes from the last meeting on March 8, 2023, was submitted. Plans for flyers/door hangers designed by Jim Lambeth were discussed at that meeting as were the plans for the upcoming Biscuits for Blessings. Linda noted that the Men’s group was working with them on this project and the funds from the event would go to the Nehemiah Group.

**Missions Committee** (Connie Tremke)
Connie reported that no decision on how mission funds would be allocated had been determined as they would like to wait until MUMC knows its way forward after June.
Worship Committee (Donna Hutto)
Donna said the committee has planned the next few months and worked out the details for Lenten services.

Stewardship Committee (Ron Hutto)
New Member bulletin updates have been done by Deb Wissinger and look great. The Communications Committee will take over the new brochure and will run it by the Evangelism Committee and Nels, and then send copies to council members for approval. There are no plans to print until our new name is determined and official, so it will probably be early summer.

Congregational Care/Education Committees (Kim Jackson)
Business as usual, posting classes on Facebook.

Finance Committee (Bob Garner)
Committee makes the recommendation that we use the liquid assets and funds from one checking account to pay the disaffiliation fee of $138,741 and having a Love Offering (one time) to help replenish those funds afterwards. Also a Line of Credit would be obtained for emergency funds going forward. Beverly Western made the motion to approve; Lindy Stahlman seconded. All approved.

The next meeting will be held June 15, 2023 at 7pm.

Toni Graham adjourned the meeting at 7:32pm.
Twenty-one members/guests attended the Tuesday, October 18, 2022 Church Council meeting:
Bob Garner, Gail Gore, Toni Graham, Donna Hutto, Ron Hutto, Kim Jackson, Wendy Kvale, 
Caren Larate, Joe Larate, Nels Ledwell, Carol Myers, Polly Ann Prathers, Larry Ream, Lola 
Rek, Bob Rennie, Barb Shelley, Harry Shelley, Don Smith, Lindy Stahlman, Don Tummons, and 
Beverly Western.

Chairperson Toni Graham opened the meeting, calling on Pastor Nels to lead the council in 
prayer. Barb Shelley moved the minutes from the July 21, 2022 meeting be approved; Bob 
Garner gave a second to her motion; all approved.

Committee Reports

Written reports were received prior to the meeting from Larry Ream (finance), Linda Kidd 
(Evangelism) and Harry Shelley (Trustees).

Worship Committee (Donna Hutto, chair)
This committee will be working with the Evangelism Committee to prepare for the December 2 
Open House. Following worship service on Sunday, November 20, help will be needed to get 
decorations out of storage. Decorating will be done on November 22 and must be completed by 
November 27. October still has activities to complete: Elder Baskets (beginning October 23) and 
Trunk or Treat (joining with First Baptist Church) on October 30.

Board of Trustees (Harry Shelley, chair)
Church safety training will be offered in November. Council members should encourage care 
while conducting church activities (locking/unlocking doors, for example).
The Trustees voted a change from the present custodial workers to Jan-Pro, a professional 
cleaning company. This change will happen right away.
To analyze and plan kitchen improvements our church actually needs, a Kitchen Renovation 
Committee will be formed.

Methodist Men (Bob Rennie, president)
Nehemiah group money is still available.
Plans for meetings can be difficult with attendance varying, Mrs. Cambridge, representative from 
First Steps, will speak at the November meeting with Larry Ream and Gordon Waine serving as 
hosts. (Sam Krotzer will serve as an alternate host.)

Staff-Parish Relations Committee (Beverly Western, chair)
This committee completed the Pastor Assessment Form.

Communications Coordinator (Barb Shelley)
Advertising in The Messenger has stopped. With this money, t-shirts with church name may be 
purchased. The church banner at the McCormick High football field needs replacing. Both 
t-shirts and banner will be on hold, pending verification of church name.
Those who use the social hall should leave it as found.

Lay Leader (Lindy Stahlman)
Church participation with Thanksgiving Dinner bags for the food bank has been requested. The
Blast will carry this information in November. Filled bags will be delivered to the food bank following worship service on November 20.

Native American Committee (Lola Rek, chair)
Lola Rek will speak during the October 23 worship service about the Elder Baskets.

Family Ministries (Don Tummons, chair)
John Yerdon and Don Tummons will be planning soups for the Dec.2 Christmas Open House.

Congregational Care Committee (Kim Jackson, chair)
Kim Jackson announced two new members of this committee: Julianne Coleman and Tina Sims. Sign-ups for “The Chosen” are growing and continuing.

Membership Secretary (Wendy Kvale)
Several prospective members continue to visit our church regularly.

Stewardship Committee (Ron Hutto, chair)
This coming Sunday, October 23, is Stewardship Sunday.

Old Business
Pastor Ledwell discussed the continuing question of division in the United Methodist Church. At this time a task force will be formed to present facts to the congregation. No disaffiliation terms have been put together. Bishop Holston says we should be patient. Our final decision should be made in March 2023. A vote by all church members will determine future actions.

New Business
Chairman Toni Graham is composing a letter of information for MUMC members. Speakers’ names and websites of all viewpoints will be provided so members can prepare to cast an informed vote.

The council meeting adjourned following Pastor Ledwell’s closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Caren Larate, Recording Secretary
McCormick United Methodist Church
Church Council Minutes
September 16, 2021

The Church Council of McCormick UMC met on September 16, 2021, with the following present: Nels Ledwell, Caren Larate, Bob Rennie, Donna Hutto, Ronnie Hutto, Lindy Stahlman, Bob Garner, Larry Ream, Beverly Western, Toni Graham, and Wendy Kvale.

After Chairman Toni Graham called the meeting to order, Rev. Nels Ledwell led the council in a prayer for guidance in our leadership. Beverly Western moved the minutes be approved, and Bob Rennie gave a second to her motion. All members approved.

Committee reports were as follows:

Linda Kidd's evangelism report, read by Toni Graham, described efforts to reach out to new residents.

Ronnie Hutto named the dates for Stewardship Sunday speakers (September 25, October 3 & 10).

Donna Hutto discussed the Worship Committee's plans to hold Sunday worship at Baker's Creek State Park, followed by a picnic. She also designated November 27, 2021, as the date for decorating the sanctuary, as well as the plan to hold Christmas Eve service at 3 pm, instead of in the evening. Other worship events were named: Laity Sunday (10/17), Native American Sunday (10/31), Stephen Ministry Sunday (11/14), and Thanksgiving Sunday (11/21).

For the Methodist Men Ministry, Bob Rennie expressed the need for more volunteers to cook food. He requested more leads for speakers for the monthly meetings.

Beverly Western, SPRC chairperson, reported the hiring of Don Tummons as music director and Carol Tummons as hand bell choir director.

Finance Committee chairman, Bob Garner reported $7,000.00 will be paid for apportionments.

Lindy Stahlman, Lay Leader who is presently coordinating the Craft Sale/Cookie Factory/Quilt Show, offered flyers to everyone to advertise this upcoming event scheduled for October 9, 2021.

New business began with the question of returning to two services on Sunday mornings. Several spoke in favor of continuing with one service at 10 am. The final decision was to continue the single 10 am Sunday service for the remainder of 2021.

Sundee Luedecke requested that Rev. Ledwell discuss Stephen Ministry with the church council. At this time there are more caregivers than care receivers. This probably would not be the case if more of our congregation knew that the Stephen ministers are trained to give care confidentially. Besides emphasizing this on Stephen Ministry Sunday, the Church Council should spread this message.

Ron Hutto reminded committee chairpersons to send their budgets to Bob Garner.
Rev. Ledwell announced that we continue to need a Congregational Care chairperson. The Council was pleased to hear that Wendy Kvale was elected to attend Annual Conference this year.

The meeting ended on a positive note as Rev. Ledwell related to us how the District Superintendent commented on the joyful church atmosphere at MUMC.

Respectfully submitted,

Caren Larate, recording secretary