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MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – FEBRUARY 22, 2015

Andy Morris called the meeting to order at 6pm. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved. The treasurer's report was distributed and discussed. It was noted that we need to add Alicia Holbrook and Renee Routon to the list of bonded members so that they are covered when dealing with money. There was a question about old memorials. Willie Morris made a motion to put a time limit of 18 months on memorials so that the church can use the money after 18 months for other needs such as the cemetery fund. The motion passed. It was also noted that direct billing is down about \$3000 from last year.

OLD BUSINESS

Alicia Holbrook stated that the picnic shelter is coming Tuesday. The tables and swings are in the bus shed.

Education Committee – The committee will be looking into the point system that was in place for scholarships.

Francelle Kibler reported that they are going ahead with getting a presentation screen for the sanctuary.

There was good news that an electrician had given a second opinion on the wiring in the basement of the church. He did not see any problems needing rewiring.

NEW BUSINESS

The finance committee asked for feedback on the new treasurer's report format. On Jan. 6th, the finance committee met with the district superintendent who asked, "If the doors were closed, would we be missed?"

Bishops Roadshow - Willie Morris and Susan Leitzsey attended and set three goals for our church: a book study, active committees, and support groups. Willie will soon lead a book study of Revelation. The committees have met and have been asked to meet again before the next council meeting. The support group project has been turned over to the Mission/Evangelism committee.

Bus Committee – The bus will be cleaned soon. Kids must have a permission slip to ride the bus.

Trustees- The policy stated that rent for the Reese building must be paid prior to use. There was also discussion about raising the rates. This discussion was tabled until the trustees could come up with rates that include the new picnic facility.

Trustees also reported that the new door was done. There is some painting to be done. There is also a little money left over from the special offering taken for trustee projects. This money may be used to help with sealing the deck at the parsonage.

Other prioritized big items include:

- Improve lighting in front of the church
- Seal and repair parking lot
- Seal tennis court

Trustees will also check on the light behind the stained glass window because it did not work on Ash Wednesday.

PPRC Committee met February 11th with the district superintendent. No decisions will be made until the cabinet meets.

Parsonage Committee – We think the roof is repaired. The deck is pending.

UMW will have the bake sale for the next BBQ. Attendance at the meeting is increasing.

UMM encourage everyone to support the BBQ. Also, the men will have a work weekend at Asbury Hills March 21st. The men also had a work day to help Devon clean up around his place after the fire. They have collected about \$800 to give Devon.

Evangelism/Mission Committee – This committee will work on:

- Disaster Relief Plan
- A flyer for the BBQ letting people know what missions they are supporting
- A community outreach flyer
- A confirmation list
- Prayer shawl ministry guidelines
- Prayer room or prayer ministry ideas
- Updating phone numbers in the yearbook
- Support Group idea from the Bishops Roadshow

UMY – The youth will match the money raised for the Noah's Ark heifer program.

After some discussion, Renee Routon made a motion that we give a \$100 donation to Andy Lominick as well as taking up a special love offering. The motion passed.

Andy Morris reported on the Men in Mission Weekend that he recently attended. The bishop challenged them to continue to increase participation. The speakers were excellent. The question was asked, "What are you doing at council meetings for the future of your church?" Andy commented that this was the best Volunteers in Mission conference he had attended.

Pastor's Report – In the prayer shawl ministry, thirty-four prayer shawls have been given. The money for the yarn comes from the communion fund. It costs about twenty dollars per shawl. Pastor Mat also reported that we still need new permission slips for the bus as well as getting new drivers approved for the bus.

The meeting was adjourned at 7pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 26, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved and the treasurer's report was discussed.

Old Business

Alicia Holbrook is working on prices to add some equipment to the playground.

The wiring has been installed for the presentation screen.

After a request from the community, there was discussion about limiting Reese building and playground rental to church members only. Raymond Smith made a motion and Willie Morris seconded to limit rental to church members only (with the exception of Woodmen and Scouts). The motion passed.

Committee Reports

Finance: We are caught up on the first quarter with about \$1600 extra. We will need to pay moving expenses for the new pastor.

Bus: The bus is to be washed. The committee is trying to get the door looked at and tightened. Pastor Mat stopped by the DMV to get information about getting a tag or placard to allow handicapped parking. The committee also stated that the children's permission slips to go on bus trips need to be updated yearly.

Trustees: The driveway has been patched by someone working in the area.

The dryer in the parsonage needs to be replaced. Willie Morris made a motion to buy a dryer. Raymond Smith seconded. The motion passed.

After brief discussion, Scott Meetze made a motion to NOT put an enclosure around the air conditioners. There was a second and the motion passed.

Robert Icard read a list of items that the Education Committee wanted to sell at the church yard sale. There was a motion made and approved to sell those items with the exception of two file cabinets that Scott Meetze will keep. Robert will also haul off the old crib with unsafe sides in the nursery.

PPRC: The trustees and PPRC will get with Pastor Mat to see what needs to be done in the parsonage before the new pastor comes. Pastor Mat will handle getting the carpet cleaned. We will need people to welcome and help the new pastor as well as set up a reception to introduce him.

Education: VBS will be held the week of June 15th. The scholarship point system has been eliminated. New applications have been published and are due May 1st.

UMM: The men will make more hash on Friday. The men have purchased an additional hash pot so that we won't keep running out.

At Asbury Hills, the men put up hardboard in the restrooms in place of sheetrock.

Worship: Senior Citizens Sunday and Graduate Recognition Sunday are coming up. George Riser Robertson will speak.

Evangelism/Mission: The committee passed out flyers at the BBQ. We also watched a video introducing the Stephen Ministry.

New Business

Jo Kibler asked for permission to use some of Evelyn Kiker's memorial funds to purchase a footstone for her grave. Raymond Smith made the necessary motion. There was a second and the motion passed.

There was also concern expressed about broken stones, dirty stones, and leaning stones in the cemetery. This discussion was to be explored by the cemetery committee.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Mat thanked the council for three good years. He stated that he will get the new pastor's address for us. He noted that the laptop works. The copier has not been serviced, but seems to be ok as well.

The council discussed and approved a parting gift for Pastor Mat of an engraved picture and a gift card.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING JULY 26, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. The minutes from the previous meeting were amended and approved.

The treasurer's report was discussed. We have not received the full amount need for May, June, and July. There was discussion about paying insurance quarterly rather than yearly or possibly changing our insurance to the conference's insurance. Pastor Bob will encourage stewardship.

Old Business

The sound and projector system are still being worked on. There will be a cover made and installed. The sound system company will get two more Soundmates for the hard of hearing. They will also do some work to help tidy up the sound room.

Committee Reports

Education: Alicia Holbrook says more playground equipment has been delivered. There is a need for three foot deep holes. She also is getting a quote for lights and fans for the shelter. More work will be done when the weather cools off.

Also, scholarship money for this year was granted to Jake Bickley, Blair Pelton, and Dillon Pelton.

Finance: We will not have bonding insurance through the conference after August 31st. We do have some through Southern Mutual but the conference recommends more.

We need more money to meet the budget. There was discussion about whether we could borrow against Pope/Moxley or Reese money if needed. It is hoped that we will receive more in interest soon.

Bus: The bus has been washed. The door has been inspected and repaired. The bus needs an insurance card. Willie Morris has sent off the paperwork for a handicapped tag that lasts two years. There was a discussion of the procedure for bus sign-ups and trips.

Trustees: There was discussion about a post hole digger for the playground. Trustees thanked Anthony Pelton for power-washing the sidewalk. Trustees are working on shelves for the Reese Building. Sadie Loging is to ask Thomas Crisp if he could pressure wash the steeple. She will ask and get a price. There was discussion about the deck on the parsonage. We may even consider a screen porch in the future. Pastor Bob reported that the riding mower will not crank.

Cemetery: The trash can in the cemetery needs to be emptied. Also, the committee needs to work on standing up some of the fallen stones.

UMM: The men have twenty quarts of hash left from the last batch. The next BBQ will be the last Saturday in September. The UMM will also discuss finishing the siding on the Salkehatchie site on Broad River Road.

Worship: The committee will meet soon. Pastor Bob will be making some changes. He wants to consider a children's church program. Dawn Smith Jordan will give a concert next Sunday. Pastor Bob is looking for volunteers for the Children's Moments. Pastor Bob reminds members to share with him if there is a concern.

Evangelism/Mission: The committee will make a few copies of the Disaster Plan that was turned in at the end of May. There will be an updated flyer at the next BBQ. We want to get together a flyer for church visitors and community outreach. The conference is taking up an offering for Aldersgate ministry in August.

New Business

Homecoming is three weeks away on August 16th. Scoot Meetze made a motion and Kathy Hill seconded that Pastor Bob preach at Homecoming instead of inviting a guest pastor. The motion passed.

There will be a Joint Cluster Charge Conference on October 18th at Central this year instead of individual charge conferences. There will be a worship service and a short video showcasing each church. Pictures need to be sent to Martha Alewine.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Bob reports that he is excited to be here. He wants people to let him know where there are needs. He will be meeting soon with the worship committee. Pastor Bob will be adding books to the library that anyone can use. He may need some more shelves. He may offer some to New Hope's student pastor. He is continuing to work toward his ordination. He only has a few courses left.

He does need internet access at the church. Scott Meetze is to help him with the internet access. This led to discussion about how many phone lines the church has and whether it might be more economical to take the land line out of the parsonage and get a hot spot and cell line for the church. Scott is to check on that.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 27, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

The treasurer's report was discussed.

Old Business

The sound and projector system are finished. Now that some have been worked on, we may have enough Soundmates for the hard of hearing.

The steep will be pressure washed. The bus has a tag and insurance card. The trash has been emptied from the cemetery.

The pastor has secured internet through his phone. He has asked about eliminating one land line. After discussion, the trustees made a motion and Raymond Smith seconded to keep the 276 phone number and get rid of the 321 number.

Committee Reports & New Business

Finance: The finance committee presented a budget. The committee recommended adopting the proposed budget. Renee Routon seconded. After some discussion, the motion passed. There was also a motion from the finance committee to adopt the Reese & Pope/Moxley budgets. That motion was also seconded and passed.

The Finance Committee recommended that the Chelsea Williams fund be given to McSwain-Evans for funeral expenses. The motion passed.

Also, the finance committee suggested that next quarter's apportionments be paid if the money is available.

Bus: The bus committee passed around a list of possible trips to be taken.

Trustees: There was discussion about the Reese Building fees. There will be no charge for church functions and scouts. Otherwise, there is a \$75 charge per use with a \$50 refundable deposit. The custodial services are an additional \$50. The Woodmen will be charged \$40 per use. Rental on the picnic shelter will be \$10 per day plus a \$10 deposit. There was a motion and second to adopt the new fees. The motion passed.

The church's lawn mower is now working. The men will replace a few boards and restrain the back deck at the parsonage.

The Newberry Electric Coop replaced some of our outdoor lights. There was discussion about getting two motion lights for a dark corner.

Cemetery: Anthony Pelton has taken off the trash from the cemetery. The committee will work on righting the fallen stones as the weather cools and the ground softens.

UMW: Operation Christmas Child and Epworth gifts are coming up.

UMM: The men thank everyone for their hard work on yesterday's BBQ. Over \$5000 has been taken in so far. We have 150 quarts of hash for sale.

The VC Summer tour is coming up on Tuesday. The men will also work on the Salkehatchie house on October 8th and 9th.

Worship: The committee will meet soon. Susan Leitzsey wants to chair the "Imagine no Malaria" project. The committee and pastor welcome ideas and input.

Evangelism/Mission: Copies of the church's Disaster Plan were distributed. There was a new brochure at the BBQ. Willie shared an example of a brochure that could be used for visitors.

Education: Alicia Holbrook has talked to an electrician about adding lights and fans to the picnic shelter. Mulch will also be added under the equipment for safety.

Pastor's Report

Charge Conference will be a cluster conference at Central at 4pm on October 18th. The pastor needs more pictures to send as well as committee reports by October 9th.

Pastor Bob wants us to think about developing a Greeter/Head usher to make sure everyone and everything is in place on Sunday. He also will check into the Adopt-A-Highway program for our church. He is going to check into or explore a Wednesday night activity/supper/Bible Study.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm.

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 3, 2016 ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 pm with 10 members present. The minutes from September 2015 were read and approved. Willie Morris will bring the minutes from the January meeting. The treasurer also presented her report.

Old Business

The playground equipment has been put together and is waiting to be installed.

Pastor Bob's office has been moved downstairs.

The electrician is to come replace the lights on the steeple as well as try something with the picture window light. The threshold and two doors have been added to the Reese Building.

There was discussion about possibly moving the pianos around. This discussion was tabled for later.

Willie Morris made a motion and Roland Kibler seconded to have a steak supper fundraiser on June 25th to raise money for capital improvements to the Reese Building. The motion passed. Prices will be set later after we get an idea of meat prices.

Committee Reports

The bus committee is updating the book.

Trustees have a lot going on. The trustees may recommend not painting the auditorium. The electrician ^{may} donate a flagpole.

The cemetery and evangelism/missions committees met and updated the pastor.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – AUGUST 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order with 18 members present. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was received.

OLD BUSINESS

The playground still needs power to the picnic shelter.

The electrician has not come yet to look at the steeple light and the picture window light.

Homecoming is coming and Francelle will call the janitor while Andy will remind Matt to cut the grass.

NEW BUSINESS

Finance – The Pope/Moxley money was moved to Woodmen at an introductory rate of 4.25% for the first year. We are meeting the budget at this point – which is better than last year at this time.

Bus – The bus has a new tag and has had an inspection.

Trustees – There was moisture under the floor in the parsonage kitchen. New floor covering is to be installed. The insurance adjustor and Whitaker's will work out the details.

The trustees recommended several improvements for the Reese Building including new curtains, hanging the senior citizen photos in special arrangements, and adding wooden crosses. The motion was approved to make those improvements.

The trustees would like to drop the rental fee on the Reese Building to a flat fee of \$50 a day and be more stringent on the guidelines for cleaning up after a rental. This recommendation also passed.

The trustees also recommended some improvements for the stage area such as painting the wall, pulling up the floor tiles, mounting the screen behind the header, possibly changing out the speaker, and mounting light on the stage – all to be done over time. This recommendation also passed.

It was also recommended that we mat, frame, and hang several of the original Mt. Pleasant High School diplomas. The motion also passed.

UMM – The BBQ and Bake Sale are coming up on September 24th. Tickets will go out soon.

The brick is in for the parsonage deck. It will be stored at Willingham's.

Mike Norman has asked about removing boxes from the parsonage attic and putting down a plywood floor. There was a motion made and passed.

Worship – Homecoming is coming. Paul Rogers will preach. Yvette and the children will sing. We have heard from a few former members who are planning to attend.

Evangelism/Mission – Willie has materials for the welcome bags for visitors.

Education – The Sunday School Rally Day will be August 28th with a picnic at Flat Rock Park.

GIGGLES will meet August 22nd at Willie's and continue on the fourth Monday night of each month.

Internet/SoundRoom – We need to move the router upstairs. Ethan Meetze is to get prices for a newer laptop to replace the one we are currently running. The UMM will call Wilson's about checking the HVAC in the Sound Room and the pastor's office. Ethan is also still needing to pick

up DVD's to record services. He reports that the sound system in the Reese Building is now working.

Nominations - The Nominations Committee may set up a Bereavement Committee to set up and check on the Reese Building in the event of a funeral.

There was discussion about the thermostats being changed frequently as well as discussion about securing the key to access the church as well. Trustees will look into both.

Someone mentioned scheduling a Family Retreat to Asbury Hills in January or February at about \$60 a person.

PASTOR'S REPORT

- Homecoming is coming. Please invite others.
- He is excited about putting together the Church History.
- He may form a committee to mat and frame some of the old Sunday School Lithographs found downstairs.
- He will meet with the cemetery committee to discuss implementing a fee for upkeep.
- Ethan is to get a price for what we need for the video and sound room.
- There was discussion about using mics for those who need hearing assistance. Should/Could we get chargers for the hearing assist devices?
- We will start an audit of the membership with the first letter needing to go out before the Charge Conference.
- Willie Morris will head up putting together a pictorial directory in the spring of 2017.
- The Nominations Committee is working.
- A meeting is scheduled this week to set up charge conferences.

- The Wesleyan Covenant Association – The Confessing Movement within the United Methodist Church – will meet October 7th to gather to set the foundation of this organization. Pastor Bob would like our congregation's support.
- We will sign up to receive the SC UM Advocate at the \$10 church rate.
- "Marks of a Methodist" will meet Wednesdays at 7pm.
- A new Grief Share group begins Sept 18th at 7pm and meets on the 3rd Sunday each month through April.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – OCTOBER 23, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm with 15 members present. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was received.

OLD BUSINESS

The playground committee decided not to add power but to add more equipment instead.

The electrician has not come yet to look at the steeple light and the picture window light.

NEW BUSINESS

The Bus Committee plans to meet to modify their guidelines.

Trustees – The trustees reported that Charity's bid for cleaning and Matt Ruff's bid for landscaping have both been accepted at the same amounts as the previous times.

Cemetery – George Graham has a double plot and his family has requested permission to add his son's ashes to that plot. The motion was made and passed to approve.

PPRC – The committee noted that we need to increase the pastor's salary due to an increase in his insurance.

UMW – Operation Christmas Child is coming soon.

UMM – The men are working on the stage in the Reese Building. They are also finishing up the house on Broad River Road. They plan to work on the parsonage deck after the March BBQ. Meat and hash are still available from the last BBQ. The BBQ made about \$5000. The men have paid most of the missions that they support.

Worship – Thanksgiving Eve service will be at St. Matthews this year.

The Christmas Eve service will be abbreviated with communion. There was a motion to move the Christmas Day service to 10am with no Sunday School. The motion passed. Everyone is reminded to come to All In Sunday.

The Charge Conference will be at 1pm on November 20th. There was a suggestion that we do a covered dish at 11:30 and worship at 1pm with no Sunday School. That motion also passed.

A family has offered to purchase a liquid Advent candle set. We may need to purchase a wreath stand to hold the set.

Evangelism/Mission – We will put the monthly newsletter in the visitor bags at the entrance to the church.

Pastor Bob plans to set up a prayer station at Keitts Crossroad. He also hopes to reorganize outreach to shut-ins.

Education – GIGGLES continues to meet. Families are welcome to make Advent wreaths for their homes. The children will visit shut-ins in the new year and make sign-in books for them. There will be an Advent Study planned.

PASTOR'S REPORT

- Homecoming had a good turnout. Debra Taylor will be invited in 2017.
- DeeDee Ruth and Sadie Loging will help the pastor put together a church history.
- Pastor Bob is asking for volunteers to choose which to mat and frame out of the old Sunday School Lithographs found downstairs.

- He will meet with the cemetery committee to discuss implementing a fee for upkeep.
- We need to train an additional person to run the sound room.
- The membership audit will begin this week.
- Willie Morris will head up putting together a pictorial directory in May of 2017.
- The charge conference will be November 20th.
- A Wednesday night Bible study will begin November 30th.
- Dinner and a Movie will be Thursday, Dec. 8th.
- There will be a retreat at Asbury Hills in January or February.
- Pastor Bob spoke on the discussions at the recent meeting of the Wesleyan Covenant Association.

Jessie Kitchens will be 99 on Saturday. There was a motion that passed to purchase her a bathrobe from the church for her birthday.

There was a motion made to purchase a gift card for Pastor Appreciation Month in October. The motion passed.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51pm.

Administrative Council

Pastor's Report

October 23, 2016

1. Homecoming (Good Turnout) *Homecoming 2017 - Debra Taylor to be asked*
2. Church History (DeeDee Ruth) + Sadie to help Pastor work on
3. Sunday School Lithograph - *would like volunteers to pick some out + get them framed to put in hallway downstairs*
4. Committee to study the upkeep on the Cemetery *will meet*
5. Video and Sound Room (Need to purchase lap top) *need to train addition person*
6. ^{Membership} Audit (This Week)
7. Pictorial 2017 (May)
8. Charge Conference (Sunday, November 20; 1pm.)
9. Wednesday Night 7pm Advent Bible Study

starts November 30

10. Dinner and a Movie (Thurs, Dec. 8; 6:30pm)
11. Retreat at Asbury Hills (January/Early Feb.)
12. Wesleyan Covenant Association

"If UMC accepts homosexual clergy and requires ~~me~~ to marry homosexual couples, I will leave the UMC."

A movement has begun to try to keep the UMC in line with scripture and not change The Book of Discipline to allow homosexual clergy + marriages.

sign up for date
Jan 6, 7, 8
13, 14, 15
20, 21, 22
27, 28, 29
Feb 3, 4, 5

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – FEBRUARY 26, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm with 11 members present. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was received.

OLD BUSINESS

The steeple light and the picture window light have been replaced. The electrician will quote a price for putting LED lights in the steeple fixtures.

The stage and sound system in the Reese Building have been installed and paid for. The Salkehatchie house on Broad River Road is also finished.

NEW BUSINESS

Finance: The finance committee reported that we need to do an audit. Sheila Pelton and Debra Bickley have agreed to do the audit. There was a motion made and passed to conduct the audit.

Bus: The bus committee will meet to look at the guidelines. The oil has been changed and the tires have been rotated. It does need cleaning. There was discussion about cleaning and adding a \$1 per person charge for bus maintenance.

Trustees: The trustees will put the keyboard up for bids. They may also offer the old metal chairs and speaker from the Reese Building. There was a motion made, seconded, and passed to allow this.

UMW: We have received a letter stating that the World Day of Prayer service has been canceled.

UMM: The men will start work on the parsonage deck after the BBQ. They are also working on getting siding on the Reese Building porch. The

men will work at Asbury Hills the week after the BBQ. Please support the BBQ.

Raymond Smith asked about moving the choir cabinet. There was a motion made and passed.

Willie Morris asked about making a donation for Ricky at Bethlehem Lutheran Church who had a massive stroke and was dealing with medical bills. Willie made a motion to send \$100 from the Evangelism and Mission money to him. The motion passed.

Mike Norman suggested that we start using LED tubes in place of the fluorescent bulbs as these blow out.

PASTOR'S REPORT (See attachment A)

REPORT ON THE MT PLEASANT RETREAT OF JANUARY 27-29, 2017 (See attachment B)

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – JUNE 11, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm with 13 members present. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was received and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

It was announced that more playground equipment will be coming in the fall. There was discussion about the memorials.

There was discussion about the floor for the auditorium. There was a motion passed to accept the quote from Whitaker's for the new floor.

DeeDee Ruth is going to mat and frame some of the lithographs and possibly sell some of them.

NEW BUSINESS

Finance: The finance committee reported that we may get in trouble with the budget if the offering drops for the summer.

Bus: The bus fund is dwindling. They may need to do a fundraiser. The bus will be cleaned for \$75.

Trustees: The trustees met and looked at excesses sitting around the church. They discussed swapping out the piano in the adult Sunday School class.

Cemetery: Marsha will check with the veteran's administration about flag holders for the cemetery and order on sample to look out from online.

PPRC: PPRC discussed Pastor Bob's plans for his absence.

Parsonage: Pastor Bob will purchase a new lounge chair because the current one is worn out.

UMW: UMW are collecting food for the PGE backpack program. And breakfast items for a summer program. We will also bake for the Newberry Disabilities and Special Needs group.

UMM: The next BBQ will be the last Saturday in September.

Worship: Marsha Meetze will do the bulletins during Pastor Bob's absence. The altar brass needs a good cleaning.

Education: The committee voted to recognize Dillon Pelton. The children will collect school supplies over the summer for the backpack program. We are looking at online Sunday School lessons at a cost of \$80 a month. Bible School will be this week. Ethan Meetze, Jake Bickley, and Blair Pelton were approved for scholarships.

There was a motion passed to repair the pews for \$855.

The history committee has the bulletins in binders. They discussed a history room. The committee and trustees will meet to discuss a plan to find a good place.

PASTOR'S REPORT (See attachment A)

Members were reminded that no white chairs or tables can be borrowed from the Reese Building – only the metal ones.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Administrative Council

Pastor's Report

June 11, 2017

1. Pastor's schedule June 20-June 29
Vacation/Conference UMHS then Duke Divinity July 2-28.
2. James (Jim) Harris will bring the message on June 25, July 2, 16, 23; July 9 ?
3. Homecoming
4. Fall Bazaar
5. Church History (DeeDee Ruth)
6. Sunday School Lithograph
7. Video and Sound Room (Need to purchase lap top)
8. Pictorial 2017 (May)
9. Autopsy of a Deceased Church

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

The meeting was called to order 17 members present. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was received and approved.

Andy Berley stated that the Pat Berley family would like to make an approximately \$10,000 donation to the church as a memorial. Revamping the front entrance was discussed. There was a motion made and passed to have the trustees meet with the family to discuss plans and get estimates.

OLD BUSINESS

DeeDee has framed and matted some of the lithographs. There was a motion made and passed to trust DeeDee to hang the lithographs as she saw fit.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustees: There was discussion about surplus items around the church. There was a motion passed to have trustees make up a list, set prices, and distribute the information. Another motion passed to allow any proceeds to go into the trustees' fund.

Cemetery: Marsha is to check with the Veterans Administration about flag holders. We may also order a sample online.

Pastor Bob is to check on the church sign for the Maybinton Road intersection.

Scott Meetze is to get a quote for a new sound room computer to the UMM for their 2018 budget.

Finance: Apportionments went down \$230. There was a motion passed to accept the amount for apportionments. There was also discussion about checking into a contract on a copier and supplies. The operating

budget, Reese budget, and Pope/Moxley budget were all approved and accepted.

Bus: The bus has been washed and the new sticker applied.

Trustees: There was a motion passed to accept a swingset from the Meetze family for the playground.

UMW: The UMW have been involved with the PGE Backpack Program. They are also looking forward to collecting shoeboxes and Epworth gifts.

Worship: The worship committee is working on simplifying the order of worship, recruiting for the children's sermon, hosting Thanksgiving, planning for the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, and cutting back on expenses by leaving some inserts on the back table to gauge use.

Education: We have started a new Sunday School program.

Reese Building: There was discussion and a motion passed to paint the whole wall in the auditorium and add chair rail. Jo Kibler mentioned two concerns: a damaged table and metal rails on the ceiling.

Several ladies want to go through the church and clean out old paper items starting with the old pastor's study. A motion passed to allow them to clean out with any major questions to go to the trustees.

There has been a \$4000 bequeath given for missions.

A motion was passed to allow the Rotary club to sell raffle tickets outside the bbq in support of Scouting.

Raymond Smith asked if Mt. Pleasant would be willing to host a January Journey this year. After some discussion, a motion passed to host one night at Mt. Pleasant.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Bob is planning to meet mid to late October to discuss the book Autopsy of a Deceased Church.

Charge Conference will be Nov. 19th at 7pm.

Pastor Bob was to report by Sept. 14th on what we are doing at our church in regards to race relations. After discussion, it was determined that we don't think we have a problem in our area and don't wish to "stir the pot" and cause problems.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – JANUARY 28, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 3:05PM with 13 members present. The minutes from the previous meeting were read, corrected, and approved. The treasurer's report was received and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

The burned out steeple light has been replaced. After some discussion, a motion was made and passed to replace the steeple lights with LED lights the next time one burns out. The current quote is \$997.50.

Pastor Bob will check on the missing signs at Maybinton Road and 3B Corner.

More upgrades have been made to the Reese Building. There was discussion about replacing the exit door the opens toward the tennis court. There was a motion made and passed to ask the Mattie Ringer family about her memorials that were designated for the Reese Building.

NEW BUSINESS

Finance: A surplus of approximately \$11,000 will be put as a line item in the reserve fund.

Bus: The bus needs an inspection sticker from Mark Hipp's.

Trustees: The trustees presented several items for council approval:

- The design concept for the remodeled front of the church
- The copier contract
- The UMM replacing the heat in the Reese Building when they have funds.
- Vinyl siding and ventilation for the Reese Building back porch

- Installing speakers in the other room for sound from the auditorium of the Reese Buliding.
- Replacing the parsonage deck
- Adding lithographs to the back wall of the auditorium

All items were approved.

UMW: The UMW shared a picture of the quilt square that was made to represent our church.

UMM: Funds from the BBQ will be used to replace the parsonage deck.

Worship: The worship committee is wondering about ordering more robes.

Education: We want to get more people in Sunday School.

There was discussion about Hannah Coker. There was a motion to do a love offering in February and match up to \$1000. The motion passed.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Bob is planning to meet to discuss the book Autopsy of a Deceased Church. He is also hoping for a Saturday work retreat. He is working on some last minute items for the directory. He is trying to set a date for the dedication of the lithographs. In planning for Homecoming, he may ask Pastor Mat to share his testimony. The worship committee will pursue.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:19pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – MAY 27, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm with 15 members present. The minutes were approved and the treasurer's report was distributed.

OLD BUSINESS

There was discussion about the missing sign at Maybinton Road.

We will ask the Mattie Ringer family about putting memorials directly into the Reese Building account.

Instead of wiring up sound in the meeting room at the Reese Building, a portable speaker will be purchased.

The parsonage deck will be repaired after the September barbecue.

The work on the front entrance will begin the last Monday in June.

The Henry Berley project may combine some funds to purchase another large piece of equipment.

The trustees' surplus equipment sale has brought in about \$1200 for the trustees fund.

NEW BUSINESS

Bus: The bus needs a federal inspection.

Trustees:

- There is some work on the parsonage to be done.
- The Edward Berley family wants to use memorial money to purchase and install a flagpole. Susan Leitzsey will check with the Woodmen.
- Pastor Bob wants to put a wooden storage building behind the parsonage. The trustees made a motion to allow this. It was seconded and passed.
- The trustees have 2 bids on an AED and will continue to check on it.
- There have been breakins at local churches. NACOM will have a security meeting in August. Some suggestions include locking the doors after church has started, having an usher man the doors, etc.
- The two front doors of the Reese Building are a priority to be taken care of with the back door being updated at a cost of \$300.

- This morning a leak was noted in the narthex. It will be checked.
- The hot water heater is being wired up.

Cemetery: Benjamin Meetze has been approved to clean stones in the cemetery and install flag holders as his Eagle Project.

Parsonage: Pastor Bob asked members for help tonight to move furniture into the house before the rain comes.

UMW: UMW are collecting food items for the YES program.

UMM: UMM are getting a count for Family Night.

Education:

- Graduate Recognition will be next week.
- Scholarship applications are coming in.
- There was a motion to suspend Sunday School for children for the summer and start back in September. The motion was seconded and passed.
- Ms. Rachel asked about starting a Tuesday afternoon class for children when school starts back.

Pastor's Report:

- Homecoming is August 19th. George Riser will be invited.
- Pastor Bob still wants to discuss Autopsy of a Deceased Church in August.
- Pastor Bob needs help auditing the church membership.
- July 29th will be the Fifth Sunday Picnic with music, games, and covered dish.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 5:38pm. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved. The treasurer's report was received.

OLD BUSINESS

There was discussion about the missing sign at Maybinton Road. It will cost approximately \$140 to replace. Russell Kibler made a motion to buy a new sign. There was a second. It was suggested that we order it with a white background. The motion passed.

The parsonage deck project has been postponed until after the spring BBQ.

The surplus chairs for sale will be submitted to the Advocate.

The Edward Berley family wants to donate a flagpole to the church. The Woodmen have donated the pole and flag with installation to be paid by the Berley family. There was discussion over where to install the flagpole. After discussion, the motion was made and passed to place the pole in the shrub line adjacent to the cemetery.

The AED has been purchased and installed. The UMW & UMM have been trained by Chris Johnson.

The leak in the narthex has been repaired. Natural gas will be installed in the parsonage for hot water and gas logs.

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCE: The budget was presented and apportionments approved. The PPRC made a motion to increase the pastor's salary. The motion passed. The trustees recommended that we keep the same lawn service and janitorial service at the current prices. The motion passed. The finance committee recommended the operating budget as a working document. That motion also passed. There was discussion that the Pope/Moxley account could be used to pay a pianist or organist if one is found and interest continues to come in.

TRUSTEES: There was much discussion about creating a history room in the Reese Building. It has been proposed that we open up the front room and

combine the storage room and the bake sale room. Willie Morris made a motion that we go to the Reese Building and put what needs to be stored together to see how much space is needed. Cindy Kibler seconded. After much discussion, there was a motion that the trustees come up with actual dimensions and present them to the council. That motion passed.

The trustees also have a quote of close to \$14,000 to repave the parking lot and the tennis courts. This has been approved pending funding.

Deedee Ruth expressed concern about the table arrangement in the Reese Building during Homecoming. She suggested that there be a walk-through before any large events where we have guests.

UMM: The BBQ is coming Sept. 29th.

UMW: Please contribute to the following upcoming events: bake sale, Christmas shoeboxes, and Epworth Gifts.

EDUCATION: Mrs. Rachel wants to start an afterschool program in January for children. She will get the materials and get started.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

- The Charge Conference is coming Nov. 8th. Committees need commitment and new blood. Members are asked to not get their feelings hurt if changes are made on committees and positions.
- Pastor Bob requested permission to use the bus for Mt. Pleasant/New Hope UMYF trips.
The trustees recommended. There was a second and the motion passed.
- We will still meet to discuss the status of the church.
- Everyone needs to turn in their information for the 2019 Directory as soon as possible.
- The membership and membership statuses need to be updated.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING – Feb. 24, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 pm with 18 members present. The minutes were approved and the treasurer's report was distributed. It was noted that the church ended 2018 with a surplus.

OLD BUSINESS

There was a motion made and passed for the pastor to purchase a \$170 church sign for the Maybinton Road intersection. The pastor will also list the surplus chairs for sale in The Advocate.

The parsonage deck project has been moved until after the spring 2020 BBQ.

There is a plan for the installation of the new flagpole. The installation will be soon.

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCE – Francelle Kibler and Sheila Pelton will audit the books.

TRUSTEES:

- There was discussion about the light behind the stained glass window not working. A motion was made and passed to get a bid for a proper lighting system for the picture window.
- The trustees suggested a proposal for the design of the History Room with the men doing the work. The motion passed to build the History Room at an estimated cost of \$300.
- There was a motion that passed to patch and seal the church parking lot (not the tennis courts). If the bid comes back equal to or less than the previously quoted price of \$10,700, then the trustees may go ahead and do it. Sheila Pelton asked about including the price of making a walking track around the cemetery while they are bidding.
- The pastor asked permission to run power to his storage building. He will check with UMM about doing the work.
- There was discussion about the cleaning of the Reese Building. Sharon Cromer made a motion to set up a Reese Building Committee to monitor the use and cleaning of the building. The motion passed with Sheila Pelton, Francelle Kibler, and Sharon Cromer joining the committee.

UMM – The men will cook for Shrove Tuesday on March 5th. The BBQ is also coming soon.

UMW – World Day of Prayer will be Friday, March 1st at Mt. Pleasant. The UMW also packed bags for the Oliver Gospel Mission. The UMW also delivered Valentine's to White Oak Manor residents.

EDUCATION – The afterschool program is off and running. Another adult is needed. We have had 3 or 4 children and expect to gain 2 more. Courtney Paschal will handle VBS this year.

PPRC – The PPRC has discussed and brought a motion to the council that the pastor be allowed a 30 day Sabbatical in August to complete his work. The motion passed.

PASTOR'S REPORT – The pastor thanked members for their support while he has been away handling family matters. He has resigned his positions at annual conference and will not write for the Advocate. By mid-May, he expects the liquidation process to be complete. He is planning a vacation May 22-June 5th. After that, he is asking for a sabbatical in August to complete a sermon and three papers due in November for the Commission on Ordained Ministry.

There was discussion about paying a \$45 fee for the use of a resource room at The Advocate. There was a motion made and passed to pay the fee and reevaluate after a year.

It was noted that the Moore family will be moving their memberships.

There was discussion about inactive members. Alicia Holbrook suggested that we take a few minutes at each meeting to discuss which active members will check on which inactive members between meetings. There was also discussion that the pastor and a church member might visit some of those members.

WORSHIP – The committee met and got some schedules in place. Old confirmation banners have been taken down. There was a motion made and passed to rehang those at the bottom of the stairs.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – May 19, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 5:34pm and begun with a word of prayer.

OLD BUSINESS

The church sign has not yet been ordered for the Maybinton Road intersection. The flagpole location has been marked and the flagpole is to be installed soon.

NEW BUSINESS

Finance: The deductible has gone up on the property insurance. It was asked that the trustees get some bids for the insurance.

Trustees: Trustees are still getting in touch with the paving people. They are seeking bids for the stained glass window light. The UMM will get the materials for the History Room and complete the work in the next few weeks.

UMM: The UMM thanked all who helped with the most recent BBQ, citing that there were some new helpers this time.

UMW: The UMW are getting things together to help with the YES program at Pomaria Lutheran Church. They also did boxes for the college students.

Education: Graduate Recognition was discussed. A motion was made and passed to recognize only those graduates who were confirmed members. Blair Pelton will be recognized.

Terrific Tuesdays will end May 21st. There may be a few dates over the summer.

Sunday School: Mrs. Rachel will set up a schedule of Sunday School teachers so that there will be two there each Sunday in

compliance with the Safe Sanctuary policy. Pastor Bob will get the information on background checks.

VBS: Courtney Paschal will get back with the Pastor on VBS.

PPRC: The PPRC made a motion that no member of the church have a contractual relationship with the church. The motion passed. There was also a motion to hire Melissa Chappell to play the piano for \$50 a service. Pastor Bob will get a job description for the position and confer with PPRC to finalize.

PASTOR'S REPORT

Pastor Bob will have the nominations committee meet and start the process before he is gone in August so that we can have committees ready for charge conference. Pastor Bob also gave the timeline for completion of his work leading up to annual conference 2020.

Pastor Bob also gave his schedule for his two week vacation and month-long sabbatical coming up this summer.

There was a discussion about using a cemetery charge to decipher active from in active members. Andy Morris made a motion the have the cemetery committee get copies pf cemetery guidelines from area churches to review and discuss. Anthony seconded and the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:37pm with another prayer.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – OCTOBER 6, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 3:02pm with 19 members present. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Pastor Bob will order the church sign to place at Maybinton Road. The sign will have an arrow instead of the street address.

The stained glass window light has been installed and paid for.

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCE: The finance committee presented proposed budgets for next year. All were approved. Willie stated that we are currently not meeting our budget. Offerings and attendance are declining. We discussed possible options if things do not improve.

HISTORY ROOM : DeeDee stated that she was approached by a genealogist at the Bake Sale who asked for a copy of George Riser's history of the church for his records. The council approved.

TREASURER: Kathy stated that we are spending more than we have taken in so far. There was discussion about whether to pay apportionments. The Finance Committee will send out a letter letting people know that we are not meeting our bills.

TRUSTEES: The flagpole is finished. The History Room is done. The trustees tried to get cheaper quotes on the church's insurance but no one could give us a better quote. The resurfacing people have started on the parking lot and are getting close to the original bid amount. The stained glass window light has been completed. Bill Loging's memorials will be used to pay for new lighting in the vestibule – including a new chandelier and a light on the stained glass.

There was discussion about using memorial funds to build a walking track. That motion passed.

UMM: The UMM thanked all who helped with the BBQ. We served around 1050 plates with a profit of around \$7000.

UMW: The UMW thanked all who contributed to the bake sale. There was a profit of \$762.10. The UMW were recognized as a five star unit. They will be participating in the Heifer Project, Operation Christmas Child, and the Epworth Giving Tree.

EDUCATION: Blair Pelton was recognized for graduating. Tremendous Thursdays are up and going with at least two children and more anticipated. There was also a lot of discussion about addressing Sunday School attendance as well as having a teacher or class for the middle and high school age group.

FALL FESTIVAL: Courtney Paschal and Mrs. Rachel will head up the Fall Festival. More info to come.

WORSHIP: Raymond Smith will now order altar flowers for funerals at Mt. Pleasant. Andy Morris also suggested that the worship committee take care of having the Reese Building ready for funerals. Sharon Cromer asked about the confirmation banners being moved from the church to the Reese Building. There was discussion and consensus to have them moved back to the church.

PARSONAGE: There needs to be a walkthrough before Charge Conference.

MISSIONS/EVANGELISM: There was a request for suggestions for using the \$2000 allotted for missions each year.

BUS: The bus is up to date with inspections and oil changes. Members were reminded to collect gas money and \$1 per person to offset other expenses.

The meeting was closed with prayer at 4:30pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – NOVEMBER 10, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 3:04pm with 18 members present. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved with the correction that the light for the large stained glass window was paid for by Andy Morris.

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCE: Letters have gone out to members about the financial need of the church. Today's offering was less than previous Sundays. Reserve funds were used for the parking lot resurfacing and to make up for differences where needed.

TRUSTEES: The parking lot resurfacing is finished. They will come back to do the walking track that is being funded by memorials.

Robert Icard has a job description for the janitor if anyone has any questions. Also, the grounds bids need to redone by September 2020 for 2021.

EDUCATION: The education committee will meet on Dec. 1st to discuss plans for 2020. Teachers and helpers are in place for Sunday School. Tremendous Thursday is going well. The Fall Festival is tonight.

WORSHIP: The worship committee suggested that we combine Senior Citizen Sunday and Homecoming. There was a second and the motion passed. Robin Morris and Melody Leitzsey have agreed to take care of Senior Citizen Sunday arrangements.

Sharon Cromer asked about the minutes of the council meetings being passed out so that the congregation can know what is going on. Pastor Bob agreed to make copies for the congregation after the minutes have been approved by the Council.

PARSONAGE: The parsonage may have a moisture issue above the shower.

MISSIONS/EVANGELISM: The mission and evangelism committee has \$1775 to distribute by the end of the calendar year. Suggestions are being accepted with a decision to be voted on by the council soon.

PPRC: The pastor's evaluation has been turned in. Today Melissa Chappell let the PPRC know that she will be unable to provide the music on Nov. 4th because she has been assigned to preach at another church.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Pastor Bob reported that a few people came to his meeting to discuss membership verification and visitation. There was discussion on how best to handle a membership audit.

There was discussion of what was needed for the 2020 directory.

Apportionments can be paid as late as January 15th. A Council meeting is scheduled for January 5th to determine whether and how much to pay toward apportionments.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 3:59pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marsha Meetze

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 5th, 2020 ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

Pastor Kelley opened the meeting with prayer at 4:35pm.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Courtney Paschal was nominated and instated as education committee chair. There was discussion about the scholarship requirements. The committee will revisit this and bring back recommendations.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: The committee recommended that we use surplus/reserve money to make up the difference of what we owe for apportionments. The recommendation passed.

Finance also recommended that we set up a Paypal account for people to donate to the church. This recommendation was also approved.

Pastor Kelley asked about working out an advance to help her with expenses of moving and getting settled. This request was also approved.

PASTOR: Pastor Kelley asked members to let her know of those she should visit – current, alienated, sick, etc. She also asked for help getting a landline set up for the church or parsonage. Pastor Kelley thanked everyone for a great first day.

TRUSTEES: Trustees are checking on a water pressure problem at the church.

The janitorial and grounds contracts end in 2020. Please spread the word if you know of anyone who might be interested.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:21pm.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – MARCH 15, 2020

The meeting opened with prayer at 4:00pm with 17 members present.

Old Business

Finance: Pastor Kelley's salary is about \$4000 more than our previous pastor. The district will pay the difference for two years. We are now about \$5700 overdrawn on the budge and only have about \$6000 in reserve. Deedee suggests that we set up memorials or projects so that people can add to the general fund "in memory" or "in honor of" loved ones. We are not currently sending apportionments, but we are sending direct billing for now.

The finance committee made amotion to continue paying Melissa Chappell \$50 a week to help out. Willie made a motion to accept the presented job description. There was a second and the motion passed. Andy Morris made a motion to make the pay retroactive for services rendered. Anthony seconded and the motion passed.

New Business

Education: There will be a joint VBS with St. Matthews at St. Matthews. Two meals each will be provided by each of the churches. Pastor Kelley will get back in touch with Pastor Steve. We will also be getting a curriculum for Sunday School.

Trustees: Craig may work on the shutters. The walking track is under construction. We are waiting to get plywood for the history cabinet.

UMM: The men thank all who helped with the BBQ. We had about 800 take-out plates and made over \$7000 profit.

UMW: The women thank all who contributed to the Bake Sale. There was a \$735 profit.

History: Deedee has created a book with the things that were donated by Mary Ella Glymph's family.

There was a motion to close temporarily because of coronavirus concerns. The motion passed. We will have no services for two weeks and then reevaluate. We may livestream on Facebook and set up Paypal for offerings.

The meeting was closed with prayer at 4:58pm.

MINUTES OF THE MAY 28, 2020 ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

There was discussion of the financial report.

Pastor Kelley reported that there is to be no in person church or meetings until June 14th. We will then need to follow various restrictions to prevent the spread of Covid19:

- take attendance
- manage contacts
- no singing
- no bulletins
- let the offering sit for two days
- wipe down the pews
- have sanitizer stations
- wear masks
- social distancing, etc.

The decision was made to increase our online presence and have a drive-in church service at 11am beginning on June 14th. The UMM agreed to purchase a sound system with an FM transmitter to allow people to hear the service while sitting in their cars with the air conditioner.

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 23, 2020 ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The Pastor opened the meeting with prayer at 9:45am. She reminded everyone of the in-person charge conference on Nov. 8th at 2:30pm in the Reese Building. She will also meet with Dr. Love on October 18th.

The treasurer reported that we are "holding our own – month to month." The electric rates have gone up. We have a 3 month reprieve on direct billing and have not paid apportionments this year. Pope/Moxley interest is down. We committed to keeping \$400K in the accounts and they are up to \$410K. There was also discussion about the importance of covering the pastor's entire salary rather than depending on the supplement from the conference. If we could cover the entire salary, it would provide more stability.

Education: We will get graduation gifts for our two graduates. We need a new Education Chairperson. The Pastor will call a meeting of the committee to discuss the scholarship requirements.

Worship: We need to "think outside the box" during the pandemic – continued outdoor services, self-directed Advent stations, outdoor Bible Study on Job, etc.

The water pressure and phone problems in the parsonage have been fixed.

The Nominations Committee needs to meet to help set up committees.

There will be no BBQ in September.

Lou Doolittle is working on plans to erect a mausoleum in the cemetery. More information is coming.

Thank you to Craig for all the waiting projects that he has taken care of this year.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:22am with prayer.

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 16, 2022 ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting started with the Pastor's Report:

- There was discussion about putting an arrow-shaped sign at the end of the road. There was discussion about changing the time on O'Neal's sign.
- Pastor may want to have the parsonage painted and some bathroom wallpaper removed. She will check with the parsonage committee. Craig can help if materials are purchased.
- Pastor may want to spend some of her reimbursement money to purchase a soundhole pickup and amp for Melissa.
- Pastor may need to add to the copyright license to show two documentaries to the confirmation class.
- Palms have been ordered and will be split with O'Neal because O'Neal ordered and split communion cups.

Finance: We are in the black at this point.

Trustees: We will need to renew the lawn care and janitor contracts this year.

Also, the parsonage received a new refrigerator last year from Wessinger's and we are waiting for a dishwasher to come in. Neither have been billed.

Education: A joint VBS will be held June 5th-9th.

Confirmation will last a whole year and will include a mission project and a camping trip. Confirmands will join the church on Easter 2023.

UMW: The UMW received a thank you note from Epworth for the Christmas gifts. The UMW made \$486 at the recent bake sale.

UMM: The UMM made \$7754.20 from the BBQ.

200th Anniversary Committee: The celebration is coming along well. There is a guest pastor scheduled for each month. If there is interest, the committee will sell t-shirts and Christmas ornaments. Glenn Bonner's band will play after lunch on Homecoming.

Worship: The worship committee will meet to discuss when to go back to bread and juice instead of prepackaged cups for communion. The pastor is adding the flowers and offering to the bulletin. She will look into restarting a choir and/or children's sermon.

The meeting was closed with prayer at 7:01pm.

AUGUST 14, 2022 ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MINUTES

The Administrative Council met at 5:04pm on August 14, 2022 with 11 members present.

Kevin Morris with the PPRC noted that the district recommends a 6% salary increase(+ \$2521.50) for the pastor so that her salary will be \$44,546.50. There was a motion made, seconded, and passed to allow the 6% increase.

Finance: Willie Morris presented a working budget from the finance committee. This budget included recommended apportionments. The tentative budget was approved.

There was discussion about including money for supply pastors. Sheila Pelton made a motion to include \$75 for supply pastors in 2023. The motion was seconded and passed.

There was discussion about the Reese and Pope/Moxley accounts. Andy Morris made a motion and Robert Icard seconded it to move \$450 of Pole/Moxley money from continuing ed to missions. The motion passed.

According to the finance committee we are approximately \$8000 over our budget. We need more offering to stay in budget. We will also soon need a new air conditioner and are hoping to save up for it.

The finance committee will also look in to old memorial accounts.

Trustees: The trustees recommended that we accept the bids for the lawn service and the janitor. The janitor is now biweekly. Those bids were accepted.

Hunter Leitzsey wants to redo the tennis courts as his Eagle Project. The motion was made, seconded, and passed to allow this project. There was some discussion about the church possibly helping out.

There was a \$1910 quote to repair four church pew cushions. There was a motion to spend \$1910 in September to repair the pew cushions.

Deedee Ruth asked permission to frame and hang to maps from the 1800s that show the church in the history room. The motion was made, seconded, and passed.

Scott Meetze suggested that the telephone numbers should be billed to the church rather than the pastor in order to more easily transition through changes in the future. We should also remove one phone number when we switch over to Carolina Connect. This motion was made, seconded, and approved.

It was noted that John Paul Whitaker says the auditorium temperature should be set between 60 and 80 degrees as well as have a vapor barrier or fans underneath.

New Business

DeVon Ruth proposed starting a birthday and anniversary card mailing project. Willie Morris made a motion that the \$450 of continuing ed money that moved to missions be used to fund this project. The motion was seconded and passed.

Pastor Darlene asked if the UMM or the church would be willing to sponsor the confirmation class trip to Flight.

The Council voted to allow DeVon Ruth to be an at large member.

DeeDee Ruth asked if anyone knew what had happened to the picture that is missing above the piano in the History Room.

DeeDee Ruth also asked about the painting of the parsonage. If the church will provide the paint, Craig Walters will do the work. DeeDee suggested that we pay Craig as well.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20pm.

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 12, 2023 ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 4:03pm. The March and August 2022 minutes were approved.

Finance Committee: The audit was completed by Debra Bickley, Robin Icard, and Francelle Kibler. We ended 2022 with a positive balance. Direct billing has been updated to \$16,728.68 instead of the original figure we had of over \$19,000.

Trustees: The trustees made a motion that the discretionary spending amount be changed to \$500 instead of the \$100 amount we have had in the past. The motion was seconded and passed.

There had been a donation made to cover repairing the pew cushions. The work was supposed to be done on site, but may have to be done elsewhere. The current quote is for only the pews. There was discussion about including the chairs and cushions as well. There was a motion to sign the contract to use the current cloth and cover the pews. The church may have to pay to do the chairs and benches.

Money has been given to purchase a new AED for the church.

Education Committee: Dates have been set for the education activities and will be sent out.

UMW: The UMW had a successful Bake Sale with a \$630 profit. They have lots of plans in place for each month.

UMM: The UMM thank everyone for the help with the BBQ. There was a \$6100 profit so far. Work on the deck of the parsonage and the back steps of the Reese Building will begin soon.

200th Anniversary Committee: Pictures have been added to the History Room.

Worship: Funeral flowers will be ordered by Francelle Kibler in the future.

Bus Committee: The bus will need new tires every 8 years. The bus policy has been updated in the directory.

PPRC: The PPRC met last Sunday. Debra Bickley reports that this is a good group and has some new members.

Evangelism/Mission: There was a recommendation from this committee that we look toward donating to local needs only.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:29pm.

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 13, 2023 ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:10pm with the following members present: Pastor Darlene Kelley, Scott Meetze, Marsha Meetze, Benjamin Meetze, Alicia Holbrook, Anthony Pelton, Sheila Pelton, DeeDee Ruth, DeVon Ruth, Brian Smith, Jimmy Bickley, Debra Bickley, Andy Moris, Willie Morris, Jesse Lathrop, Russell Kibler, Francelle Kibler, Mae Bedenbaugh, Lou Doolittle, and Kathy Hill.

The March 2023 minutes were approved.

Finance Committee: We have only paid one quarters' apportionments. Our offerings are over \$8000 behind the budget. To pay more apportionments, we will need to dip in to last year's surplus. We have already paid the overage on the parsonage roof, preventive maintenance from Wilson's, and the railings on the parsonage deck.

Trustees: An AED has been purchased and needs to be mounted. We are getting a motion detecting light on the front stairwell. Some switches also need replacing. The pew cushion repair will start after Homecoming.

Education Committee: Promotion Sunday will happen on Homecoming. Sharon Cromer will handle the Halloween Carnival on October 29th.

UMW: The UMW have given to Epworth, district missions, and Linda Moore. They have served ice cream and cupcakes to the Newberry Disabilities and Special Needs clients. When school starts, they will support the backpack program.

UMM: The UMM will have a BBQ on September 30th with to go plates and hash. The parsonage deck is complete. There was no overage for railings.

200th Anniversary Committee: Willie would like to get a photo of the 200th anniversary committee to display in the history room.

Worship: Homecoming is coming. Alicia will bring a camera from work to take the group Golden Ager picture. There will be a covered dish meal after the service.

Nominations: Nominations will set a date to meet to start planning for next year.

Bus Committee: The tailpipe has been repaired and tires have been changed on the bus.

PPRC: Dr. Love was here a couple of months ago. The committee has completed assessments and will compile them for Dr. Love.

Evangelism/Mission: For evangelism and mission needs, members are asked to send recommendations in writing to Scott Meetze.

Pastor's Report: Per recent messages from the district office, we may need new safe sanctuary training and new background checks.

New Business:

Pastor Darlene has the forms for people to complete for the charge conference coming up on Nov. 12th.

Lou Doolittle made a motion that we create a committee to get the facts on disaffiliation. Jimmy Bickley nominated Andy Morris to lead the committee. The following members were appointed: Andy Morris (chair), Jimmy Bickley, Kathy Hill, Anthony Pelton, Lou Doolittle, Benjamin Meetze. It was suggested that another younger person be invited, such as Rebecca Cates.

Members were reminded to please help with the upcoming BBQ fundraiser.

The meeting was closed with prayer and adjourned at 6:52pm.

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2023 ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting was opened with a word of prayer with the following members present: Pastor Darlene Kelley, Jesse Lathrop, Jimmy Bickley, Debra Bickley, Wyse Hill, Kathy Hill, Antony Pelton, Sheila Pelton, DeVon Ruth, DeeDee Ruth, Russell Kibler, Francelle Kibler, Alexis Kibler, Andy Morris, Willie Morris, Brian Smith, Scott Meetze, Benjamin Meetze, Alicia Holbrook, Lou Doolittle, Dale Cromer, Sharon Cromer, and Rebecca Cates.

Finance Committee: Willie reported on apportionments. They did go up over \$1000. The new amount of apportionments was submitted by the committee. Scott made a motion to approve. Andy seconded. Apportionments were approved unanimously.

The finance committee made a recommendation for AR Policy. Andy made a second. It was approved unanimously. The pastor's salary has increased 3%. NACOM has not been paid in 2023. Willie will ask Shane what the \$100 is for. Pledges will be sent out to all the members along with online giving.

Jimmy Bickley made a motion that Council forgive the loan for the railing on the parsonage. Lou Doolittle seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

The finance committee made a motion to approve the budget as is. Anthony made a second. The motion was approved unanimously.

Willie reviewed the Reese and Pope/Moxley accounts. There was a motion to keep the accounts as is. The motion was approved. There was also a motion to remove the \$3000 line item for pianist/organist supply. The line item can be added back if needed. The motion was approved.

Arlene Sligh will be completing our taxes.

Bus: The oil has been changed in the bus. Jesse Lathrop has been added to the insurance as eligible to drive. Our handicap parking sticker is on the way.

Education: The Christmas program will be December 17th.

Evangelism/Mission: The committee would like to use the remaining missions money (approximately \$400 each) to support Salkehatchie, Epworth, Boys Farm, and GAAP.

Worship: The worship committee will work on the flower chart and readers as needed.

Trustees: We are awaiting the plumber bill for the parsonage and BBQ pit. We need to look at pumping the septic tank soon. Jimmy will ask Daniel Werts.

The AED will be placed on the counter in the foyer until a permanent placement is found. The corners of the rooms will need to be updated with paint.

Worship: Christmas Eve is on a Sunday. There will be a morning service at Mt. Pleasant and an evening service at O'Neal. All are welcome.

UMM: \$3111 loan for the parsonage rails will be forgiven. The UMM thank everyone for their help with the BBQ.

UMW: The UMW served ice cream for the Special Needs groups and packed bags for the Newberry Hospital. They are currently working on Operation Christmas Child.

Disaffiliation Exploration Committee: The committee had 3 recommendations of appraisers. Jerry Coleman will do the appraisal. His bill is not to exceed \$1000.

Nominations: Nominations will be addressed at Charge Conference. Trustees need to be filled. We need an alternate member to annual conference. We need a solid person to be membership secretary.

Parsonage: The furnishings have been accounted for and on file with the insurance. The roof and deck have been replaced. Railings were completed. There should be a checklist for ministers coming and going.

PPRC: PPRC met with Dr. Love and expressed a desire to move from a charge back to a stand-alone church. Dr. Love states that we will likely not get an elder, but probably get a retired pastor or a student. PPRC recommended that we make this

request. Andy seconded. Scott, Benjamin, and Alicia abstained. All others voted positive.

There was also a motion to start the discernment process. Lou seconded the motion. Andy read the discernment process document which was provided by the district office. Alicia has a copy that she has provided as a record. The vote to begin the discernment process was 15 positive to 5 negative. The discernment process will begin in early January. Andy presented a sample of the discernment letter that needs to be presented to the District Superintendent. Andy has to submit the paperwork to the council December 1st (appraisal, insurance, other paperwork). An informational meeting is scheduled for January 28th at 3pm.

The meeting was adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 10, 2023 ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6pm with the following members present: Pastor Darlene Kelley, Alicia Holbrook, Andy Morris, Willie Morris, Scott Meetze, Benjamin Meetze, Cindy Kibler, Sheila Pelton, Jimmy Bickley, Debra Bickley, and Rebecca Cates.

Discernment Report: Andy Morris stated that Dr. Love has been very supportive. Sheila made labels and Rebecca made an email. All documents that were required by Dec. 1st were turned in and approved. A legal firm will help with the bylaws that need to be finalized.

Andy passed out a letter (draft) for the council to approve. This is a first letter. A second letter is required. A tentative date has been set for the middle to end of February. A time to review the letter was given. Jimmy Bickley seconded the motion and it was approved.

At the next meeting, the committee will need council minutes to submit to the conference. The conference will need to see the Pope/Moxley trust to determine if it is a part of the package.

The church roster needs to be completely updated. Sheila asked if Rev. Darlene had any files for membership. Darlene stated that she uses the directory.

Cost estimates for disaffiliation are a range. The exact figure will come from the conference. Appraisals were received: \$80K parsonage and \$160K for everything else.

PPRC: Debra Bickley and Rev. Darlene Kelley gave a report from PPRC. Dr. Love suggested a renewal leave for Darlene as she will be moving.

UMM: Scott said we received a \$1100 gas bill. Jimmy Bickley will get in touch with CNNGA to see if there is an error.

Trustees: Septic lines had to be replaced and the septic tank pumped. A final bill will be coming with the details of the issues written on the bill.

Andy thanked everyone for their attendance. Rev. Darlene closed the meeting with prayer at 6:25pm.

MT. PLEASANT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

MARCH 17,2024

The Administrative Council met on Sunday, March 17 at 5 pm. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Andy Morris. Rev. Darlene Kelley opened the meeting with prayer.

The Treasurer, Kathy Hill, reported that for the month the church collected in offerings of \$5,785.00. To meet the budget, we should have taken in \$9,038.20. January and February have been short in offerings as reported by the finance chairperson, Willie Morris.

The Bus Committee Chairperson, Willie Morris, reported that the 55 plus members are trying to take a monthly trip in the bus. Plans for March 26 are to go eat at Mr. B's, go to Bucee's and tour Pearl Fryer Topiary Gardens.

The trustee chairperson, Jimmy Bickley, reported that all fluorescent lights have been replaced in Reese Building. The cost to replace the fluorescent lights in the church is \$1,500.00. This is a recommendation from Trustees. This recommendation was seconded by Sharon Cromer and passed. Jimmy is looking into getting the floors in Reese Building stripped and waxed which could cost about \$1,700.00.

The Cemetery Committee Chairperson, Anthony Pelton, had no report to give.

Pastor-Parish Chairperson, Debra Bickley, reported that the committee will be meeting with Dr. Steven Love, District Superintendent, on Sunday, March 24.

Parsonage Committee Chairperson, Lou Doolittle, reported that considerable work will be needed on the interior of the parsonage. The committee would like to get in the parsonage to see what will need to be done and line up contractors to do the work. Rev. Kelley told Lou that the District Superintendent, Dr. Love, and Craig are working this out. It will be resolved next Sunday at the Pastor-Parish meeting.

Men's Club BBQ is next Saturday, March 23. Slaw will be made on Thursday and the cooking will begin on Friday. The United Women in Faith will have a Bake Sale.

Easter Sunrise Service is at 7 am and regular service will be at 11 am. Sunrise breakfast will be served.

The United Women In Faith Chairperson, Willie Morris, reported that the women are busy with their mission projects scheduled for this year. So far, we made 5 Comfort Bags for Newberry County Memorial Hospital to be given to the homeless or displaced citizens of Newberry County that are admitted as patients. Some of these Newberry County citizens are transported to the Oliver Gospel Mission or Toby's Place. There are men and women involved. Willie reported that she attended the World Day of Prayer at Pomaria Lutheran Church on Friday, March 1. The interesting program was written by the women of Palestine.

The worship committee chairperson, Francelle Kibler, reported that there are lots of Sundays where we have no one putting flowers in the church on Sunday. They are leaving it up to members to volunteer to put the flowers in the church. The worship committee is taking care of the communion elements. The ferns placed in church this Sunday were beautiful and it was decided to use them for Palm Sunday also. Two bundles of ferns will be ordered for Palm Sunday.

There was no report from the Evangelism Committee.

Since the Education Co-Chairs, Andrea Dorroh and Alexis Kibler, were not at the meeting, it was mentioned that the Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, March 30. Lunch will be provided followed by the egg hunt.

Andy brought to our attention that our church needs a Security Plan. It seems that most all churches have a plan in place. Andy suggested that we get someone from the Sheriff's office to come talk to us about a plan for us. A motion was made by Jimmy Bickley and seconded by Francelle Kibler that we contact the Sheriff's Office to make this presentation.

Homecoming is Sunday, August, 18. The Worship committee was asked to get some speakers and bring back to Administrative Council for consideration. Plans need to be made for Golden Age that Sunday also.

Andy stated that we now have a church email address thanks to Rebecca Cates. We need to get a website also for our church. It was suggested that we ask Gary Graham to see if he could help us with the website.

Andy suggested we get people trained as backups for the audio visual system in case Marsha, Benjamin or Ethan Meetze can't be at church one Sunday or be able to be there if there is a funeral. Several people need to be trained as backups. Rebecca Cates said she would be willing to be trained. An announcement will be made in church asking for volunteers.

Sheila Pelton stated that she would train acolytes if we can get our children to be acolytes each Sunday.

Under the church disaffiliation, Andy Morris, Chairperson of Disaffiliation Committee, reported that all documents requested for March 10 deadline were delivered on Monday, February 26 to Beth Westbury, Treasurer at United Methodist Conference office. The incorporation, quit claim deed and by-laws have been done. The attorney got all requested items in by March 1. We will need to get our membership roll, minutes of Administrative Council, property deeds and charge conference records in by April 30. Annual Conference Trustees will provide to church by email, payment amounts required for separation by April 30. Church fully funds escrow account no later than May 31.

There will be an informational meeting on the Global Methodist Church on Thursday, March 21 at Nazareth Methodist Church in Leesville at 6 pm. Members were asked to please go to this meeting. We will leave church at 5 pm.

Rev. Darlene Kelley was asked for her pastor's report. She reported that we will have a Palm Sunday Service and the Easter Sunrise Service and the 11 am service.

Since there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned with a prayer by Rev. Kelley.

Submitted by:

Willie Morris

Willie Morris, Acting Secretary

Administrative Council Meeting

March 24, 2024 –6:00 pm

The Administrative Council met on Sunday, March 24, 2024 at 6 pm. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Andy Morris. Andy opened the meeting with prayer. Present were Andy Morris, Scott Meetze, Sheila Pelton, Anthony Pelton, Jesse Lathrop, Sharon Cromer, Kathy Hill and Willie Morris.

A report was given on the Pastor/Parish meeting held this Sunday at 2 pm. The parsonage will be inspected on April 3 at 5:30 pm to determine the repairs needed. If the parsonage family will need to be relocated to make repairs, the church with the help of Greenwood district will pay for rental. Rev. Darlene Kelley is to take approved leave the month of April and May. She was to return for the month of June but the Pastor/Parish asked that the last Sunday of March(Easter Sunday) be her last Sunday at Mt. Pleasant. Mt. Pleasant will pay her salary for the three months. The district will supply pulpit ministry. The recommendation by the Pastor/Parish to ask Rev. Kelley not to return in June was seconded by Jesse Lathrop and passed. There was one No vote.

Rev. Eric Grayson, a minister at Lyman Methodist Church and Presiding Elder in the upstate of the Global Methodist Church made a presentation of the Global Methodist Church at Nazareth Methodist Church in Leesville on Thursday, March 21. Jesse and Janice Lathrop and Andy and Willie Morris attended this presentation. It was a very impressive presentation on Global Methodist Church. Global Methodist Church was formed in May, 2022. They want to help revitalize existing churches. They have a surplus of ministers and there should not be a problem in getting

us a minister if we decide to go with Global. Apportionments as we call it now would be 4%. Global is in five countries and in all states of the United States. There is no trust clause. No term limits on the pastors. If a pastor is found not following the Global Methodist discipline, the pastor is removed. The Disaffiliation Committee recommended that Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church join the Global Methodist effective July 1. This motion was seconded by Willie Morris and passed. Global Methodist will be starting to make appointments on April 15 and would like to have applications to join Global Methodist in as soon as possible around April 15. A Church Congregation meeting will need to be held with the congregation voting 51% to join Global Methodist. The congregation will need to be notified 10 days before Church Congregation meeting. The congregation has to be notified by an announcement in church bulletin, an announcement from pulpit and an email to congregation. The Church congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, April 14 at 4 pm. The chairperson of the Administrative Council can chair the Church Congregational meeting.

A discussion was held on whether the church should pay for the internet at parsonage. This will be discussed again later.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Willie Morris".

Willie Morris

Acting Recording Secretary

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – FEBRUARY 22, 2015

Andy Morris called the meeting to order at 6pm. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved. The treasurer's report was distributed and discussed. It was noted that we need to add Alicia Holbrook and Renee Routon to the list of bonded members so that they are covered when dealing with money. There was a question about old memorials. Willie Morris made a motion to put a time limit of 18 months on memorials so that the church can use the money after 18 months for other needs such as the cemetery fund. The motion passed. It was also noted that direct billing is down about \$3000 from last year.

OLD BUSINESS

Alicia Holbrook stated that the picnic shelter is coming Tuesday. The tables and swings are in the bus shed.

Education Committee – The committee will be looking into the point system that was in place for scholarships.

Francelle Kibler reported that they are going ahead with getting a presentation screen for the sanctuary.

There was good news that an electrician had given a second opinion on the wiring in the basement of the church. He did not see any problems needing rewiring.

NEW BUSINESS

The finance committee asked for feedback on the new treasurer's report format. On Jan. 6th, the finance committee met with the district superintendent who asked, "If the doors were closed, would we be missed?"

Bishops Roadshow - Willie Morris and Susan Leitzsey attended and set three goals for our church: a book study, active committees, and support groups. Willie will soon lead a book study of Revelation. The committees have met and have been asked to meet again before the next council meeting. The support group project has been turned over to the Mission/Evangelism committee.

Bus Committee – The bus will be cleaned soon. Kids must have a permission slip to ride the bus.

Trustees- The policy stated that rent for the Reese building must be paid prior to use. There was also discussion about raising the rates. This discussion was tabled until the trustees could come up with rates that include the new picnic facility.

Trustees also reported that the new door was done. There is some painting to be done. There is also a little money left over from the special offering taken for trustee projects. This money may be used to help with sealing the deck at the parsonage.

Other prioritized big items include:

- Cleaning the steeple and replacing the lights