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Approved Administrative Board Minutes

January 18, 2021

Attended: Pastor Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Jeff Manchester, Kathy Miles, Kathryn Miller, Ann Shealy, Neal Shealy, Kevin Painter, Linda Tuttle & Sherri Ward

Call to Order: Melanie

Opening Prayer: Pastor Ken

Keenagers: Ann – nothing to report – no activities.

Finance: Kathy - Amount in general fund was reported. Computer in office is being left on. Need a reminder to shut down computer when done. Was suggested to back up on external hard drive to save in case of a crash.

PPRC: Nothing to report

Outreach: No report

Epworth: No report

Nurture: Linda – Calendar for 2021 being worked on. Was suggested to change Homecoming permanently to the 3rd Sunday in September. Would be better for vacations, etc. Motion was made to permanently change Homecoming to the 3rd Sunday of September. Seconded & Approved.

Valentine's Day – Sweetheart pictures for Kevin to do video to show during service.

Easter – Cross out front for congregation to nail their sins to.

Lots of ideas for future events.

MYF: Kevin – 2 things: Souper Bowl Offering 2/7/21 – trying to team up with other churches. Beulah UMC for example to do Blessing Boxes for community. Proceeds of a can drive and/or other things to donate to the Blessing Boxes.

January 30th will be a drop-in at the church starting at 6:30. Will be a virtual concert.

Monthly meetings will begin soon.

Kids-4-Christ: there will be an event on Friday, February 5th @ 5:30pm at the church. Lesson, craft and game. Bring your own food & snacks. Julie will get supplies.

Trustee: Donny Black is chairman. Working on playground and shrubbery. 3 quotes have been submitted for the shrubbery- will wait on Donny Black to go over.

Outside light beside steps on educational building side is not working. Will check on that.

Appears to be a leak in the office. Need to see if active leak.

Melanie suggested the cemetery rules be updated.

New: Background checks – several people still have not turned in to Melanie.

Neal & Melanie talked about who did the checks before. The old forms are in a box and need to be shredded. Melanie will handle that.

Safe Sanctuary- Melanie heads it up. It is reviewed yearly. Background checks done every 3 years.

Bulletins – need info by Thursday afternoon every week.

Sign out front – need more help. 1 more person in the rotation would help.

Will not meet in February. Will meet again on March 3rd @ 7:30pm

Pastor report: The Community is feeding the Saluda National Guard on February 6th. This meal was previously delayed due to Covid. Will be \$1000 for meal to feed all. The pastors from surrounding churches will be serving the meal at Saluda First Pentecostal.

Motion made to donate \$150.00 to fee the Saluda National Guard. Seconded & Approved.

New bible study starting on 2/7/21 – Spiritual Gifts. Will be at the church at 4pm on Sundays.

Doing in church service on January 24th. Discussion about wearing or not wearing masks.

A few want it mandated to wear masks in the church. Others say only if they want to.

There are some churches mandating it and others are having 2 services to accommodate.

Ann voiced concern about the original rules of the service not being an hour long and no singing. Stating that the service is an hour long and people are singing.

There will be no more handing out masks at the door. They will be there if someone wants to pick up.

We will continue to social distance. Linda will put it out on Remind.

Neal stated that by his count, about 1/3 of the congregation wears masks during services.

Closing Prayer: Pastor Ken

Adjourn

Called meeting 1/31/21

Attended: Sherri Ward, Linda Tuttle, Neal Shealy, Donny Black, Melanie Lake, Donnie Pearson

Call to Order: Melanie

Purpose: Donny reported that the HVAC unit at the parsonage had stopped working. Holsenback was called and it was repaired. That lasted a few days. Holsenback was called again and Donny was told it was unrepairable.

A new unit will be installed on 2/1/21 for a cost of \$6100.00. Emory will pay their half of the HVAC unit.

New locks have been installed on the doors to the balcony and the office. Donny gave keys to those who needed them.

Approved Administrative Board Minutes March 3, 2021

Attended: Pastor Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Jeff Manchester, Kathy Miles, Kathryn Miller, Kendra Waters, Ann Shealy, Neal Shealy, Kevin Painter, Donny & Marcia Black, Julie Hyman, Linda Tuttle & Sherri Ward

Call to Order: Melanie

Opening Prayer: Pastor Ken

Keenagers: Ann – nothing to report – no activities.

Finance: Kathy reported that we are maintaining our balance.

PPRC: Jeff – meeting 3/25/21

Outreach: Marcia -2 projects -L&B Care Home & feed 3 cottages @ Epworth. No other needs at this time

Epworth: No report

Nurture: Linda – planning several special Sundays. More info to come.

MYF: Kevin – Souperbowl offering was over \$900 to the Blessing Boxes. Will meet 3/5/21. A church member donated metal crosses and MYF will give out for Easter. 1 per family.

Kids-4-Christ: Julie -Easter Egg hunt 3/21/21 after church. 3/28/21 will be makeup day.

Trustee: Donny Black -New air working good – outside light now working-Donny will call MCEC. Roof on playset was replaced on 2/27/21-cost was \$2500 & they painted the steeple. There is a leak in Sanctuary on both sides of windows at alter. Windows will have to come out & be repaired. Motion made to get leak fixed on both sides of church at windows at alter. Seconded & Approved

Boxes were stacked in front of breaker boxes in educational building – Nothing must be placed in front of breaker boxes. Donny will make a sign that states this.

Landscaping -2 quotes were received to include new shrubbery, weed block, edging & cypress mulch. No charge to remove existing shrubs. Approx \$140 annually or semi-annually to refresh mulch.

After much discussion about different approaches about replacing or not replacing the shrubbery a motion was made to accept the bid for \$4604 to replace shrubbery. Seconded. Approved.

Donny will get quote for lawn maintenance.

New cross for front of church will be built and moved closer to sign so it can be seen from road.

Side door of sanctuary has no awning. Rain blows in and gets carpet wet. Donny will ask person who does windows to put awning over door. Motion made to have awning put over side door at sanctuary. Seconded & Approved.

UMW – Kendra – nothing to report.

Cemetery Committee: Rules for cemetery need to be reviewed. Will wait until next month.

New: Neal shredded the old background check forms and returned the lockbox.

Safe Sanctuary policy needs to be looked at and updated.

VBS is June 14-17 – Mon – Thur. Closing program Sunday, June 20th. Only for Nazareth kids. Prepackaged meals for 34 plus kids.

Pastor report: Bible study is meeting on Sunday's at 4pm.

Closing Prayer: Pastor Ken

Adjourn

Approved Administrative Board Minutes April 7, 2021

Attended: Melanie Lake, Jeff Manchester, Ann Shealy, Neal Shealy, Donny & Marcia Black, Donnie Pearson & Sherri Ward

Absent: Pastor Ken Freeman, Kendra Waters, Kathryn Miller, Linda Tuttle, Kevin Painter, Julie Hyman, Kathy Miles

Call to Order: Melanie

Opening Prayer: Donny Black

Keenagers: Ann – nothing to report – no activities.

Epworth: Fed 3 cottages on 3/25/21. Will do more in about 2 months. Mother's Day offering in May.

PPRC: Jeff – rescheduled meeting 3/29/21 at Emory

Outreach: 4 needs – will help all four.

Epworth: No report

Sunday School: Attendance is low. Young adult class has more than they did. Maybe when we go back to individual classes attendance will grow.

Finance: Audit has been done

Trustee: Donny Black -Rear light has been repaired. New microwave for parsonage has been purchased. Bill split between Nazareth & Emory.

Landscaping – Randy, Donny & Derek pulled up all old shrubs. Weed block was put down, the shrubs were planted. Was under budget by \$100. Still working on getting awning for side door.

Leak in Sanctuary has been fixed. Cost was \$1500. Bad wood was replaced and encased in vinyl.

Tile in office and choir room not replaced yet.

New cross has been made and put up.

Playground has been sprayed for weeds with a salt and vinegar mixture.

Pete will continue to cut grass and will let Donny know when he can't do it any more.

Cemetery Committee: Rules for cemetery need to be reviewed. Will wait until next month.

New: Safe Sanctuary policy needs to be looked at and updated. Will look at in May due to low attendance.

Closing Prayer: Donnie Pearson

Adjourn

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

Approved Administrative Board Minutes
May 5, 2021

Attended: Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Jeff Manchester, Ann Shealy, Neal Shealy, Kathy Miles, Donny & Marcia Black, Donnie Pearson, Linda Tuttle, & Kevin Painter

Absent: Kendra Waters, Kathryn Miller, Julie Hyman, & Sherri Ward

Call to Order: Melanie

Ann read the minutes of last meeting. Corrections to minutes – Donnie Pearson closed meeting with prayer, not Ann Shealy

Keenagers: Ann – Meal for Keenagers in social hall if enough interest. No date yet

Epworth: Marcia – Mother's Day offering will be taken up for 2 Sundays. Checks to be made out to NUMC with Epworth in memo.

PPRC: Jeff – Met on April 29th.

Outreach: Marcia – Will do meal for 3 cottages at Epworth and Outreach to help with one medical need in the community.

MYF: Kevin – May 21 is next meeting. Currently 4 youth members. Will be mailing cards with magnets to shut ins. Will do Donuts for Dad before worship on Father's Day beginning at 8:30am.

Finance: Kathy – Finances are gaining ground slowly after numerous repairs.

Nurture: Linda – Planning ART TO HEART by Bill Cox during worship on June 6th. Asked board approval to fund \$1000 for Mr. Cox's presentation, mileage and hotel room. Donny Black made motion to approve and Kathy Miles seconded. Motion carried. Communion will be moved to June 13th. Planning Scared Calling, a 3 sister gospel group, for Homecoming (September 19). Asked board approval to fund \$1000. Group to stay at Linda Tuttle's lake home. Donny Black made motion to approve and Jeff Manchester seconded. Motion carried. Planning a meal after worship for Homecoming.

Trustee: Donny Black -Tim Hyman installed new ceiling tiles in office. Choir room's tiles will be replaced soon. Still looking for someone to do aluminum siding work on sanctuary.

UMM: Donny Black – Methodist Men will be encasing air conditioners on side of educational building. Waiting on lumber prices to decrease.

New: Will be using leftover bulletins rather than ordering more since we have a lot of unused ones. Checking into decreasing order of Upper Rooms as there are a lot left over. Board agreed to place hymnals and Bibles back in the pew effective May 23rd and they agreed to offer communion two ways, prepackaged elements and traditional effective in June.

Old: Reviewed Safe Sanctuary policy. A few changes will be implemented. Reviewed Cemetery policy and a few changes will be implemented. Donny Black made motion to add Randy Kirkland to cemetery committee in light of the death of Parks Aull. Linda Tuttle seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor Report: Ken Freeman – Joy Travelers going to Orangeburg to gardens. Planning 4 week Bible study beginning May 16. June 6 & 7 will be annual conference. Will be virtual again this year. Bishop will still be with us until at least August of next year. Received notice that the Sid Pratt family and Patsy Garrett moved their memberships to Union Lutheran Church.

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman

Adjourn

Submitted by: Linda Tuttle

Unapproved Administrative Board Minutes May 5, 2021

Attended: Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Jeff Manchester, Ann Shealy, Neal Shealy, Donny & Marcia Black, Donnie Pearson, Linda Tuttle, & Kevin Painter

Absent: Kendra Waters, Kathryn Miller, Julie Hyman, & Sherri Ward

Call to Order: Melanie

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Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman Adjourn

Submitted by: Linda Tuttle

Unapproved Administrative Board Minutes June 2, 2021

Attended: Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Jeff Manchester, Kathryn Miller, Ann Shealy, Neal Shealy, Kathy Miles, Donny & Marcia Black, Donnie Pearson, Linda Tuttle, Kendra Waters, Julie Hyman & Kevin Painter

Absent: Sherri Ward

Call to Order: Melanie **Opening Prayer:** Pastor Ken

Linda read the minutes of last meeting. Corrections were: Kathy Miles was in attendance at last meeting. Patsy Garrett also transferred her membership to Union Lutheran Church. PPRC met on April 29th not May 29th.

Nurture: Linda – asked to move homecoming to September 26, 2021 instead of September 19th. Scared Calling cannot come on September 19th. Linda made motion to move homecoming. Motion was seconded. Motion carried.

Trustee: Donny Black –Awning over side door will be installed within one month. Tiles in choir room and a few in church are still pending. Handle on fridge at parsonage was replaced.

Cemetery: Donny Black – Reviewed final changes for cemetery rules. Donny Black made motion to accept the changes, Jeff seconded. Motion carried. A copy of the amended rules will be mailed to all members, active and inactive.

Epworth: Marcia – To feed three cottages at Epworth on June 20th for a total of six cottages this year.

Kids-4-Christ: Julie – On May 15th, Kids for Christ enjoyed an outing to Hickory Hill Farms. Summer activities are being planned.

Sunday School: Donnie Pearson – Discussed going back to small groups again for Sunday School. Ann introduced opening all pews again. Decided to discuss again at August meeting with September as target date to return to small groups and open all pews.

PPRC: Jeff – will meet at Nazareth on July 29th.

Finance: Kathy – Finances are gaining ground slowly. Will pay ½ of apportionments in June and other ½ later. Bulletin order has been successfully suspended temporarily until surplus is used.

MYF: Kevin – Donuts for Dad moved to after worship service before Sunday school.

Pastor: Ken – Annual conference this year is virtual. Randy Rita (Emory) is lay delegate this year.

Other business: Donny Black thanked Neil Shealy for repairing asphalt that was messed up where an 18 wheeler turned around.

Kevin to purchase new power supply for internet in sanctuary. Old one burned up.

Ann voiced concern from bulletin committee that booster was needed for internet for office located in sanctuary. Carolina Connect can install. Kevin to look into moving modem in social to provide better service in Ken's office. Ann made motion to purchase new booster for church office. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

Ken has been paying for internet service at parsonage. Donny Black made motion for church to pay for this service. Linda seconded. Motion carried.

Melanie introduced final revision for safe sanctuary for review. Donny Black made motion to accept. Donnie Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

Ken is required to take continuing education class that is above budget. Donny Black made motion to pay for half (\$400) hoping that Emory would pay for the other half. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

Melanie stated that the hall in social hall is stark. Would like to know where old banners are. Hoping to put in social hall. Any suggestions to liven up social hall is welcomed.

Julie voiced concerns about new and/or transfer members not understanding the rules, regulations, and/or requirements of the United Methodist Church. Ken to work with future new/transfer members.

Donny Black & Neil Shealy lead a discussion on investment options.

Next meeting is August 4, 2021.

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman Adjourn

Submitted by: Linda Tuttle

Unapproved Administrative Board Minutes August 4, 2021

Attended: Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Jeff Manchester, Kathryn Miller, Neal Shealy, Kathy Miles, Donny Black, Donnie Pearson, Linda Tuttle, Kevin Painter, Janet Rinehart & Sherri Ward

Absent: Ann Shealy, Marcia Black, Kendra Waters & Julie Hyman

Call to Order: Melanie

Melanie opened with a statement about everyone respecting the time we have for the meeting and everyone's opinions.

Nurture: Linda – Blessing of the Book Packs is August 15th, Homecoming is September 26th.

Discussed doing a survey to members about Sunday school groups, services. Was suggested to give a general description of each group and what they do and put in newsletter so everyone knows what each group does.

The group coming for Homecoming will be paid \$1000 and will stay in Linda Tuttle's lake house. Nazareth will put together a hospitality basket w/light meal and snacks.

T&A Catering is doing meal for Homecoming and Nurture committee will provide tea and store bought cupcakes & cookies.

Trustee: Donny Black –Awning over side door has been installed. Part of pressure washing has been completed. Donny is aware of some lights that need to be replaced and will get them done.

Playground needs to be refurbished. Wood needs new stain and old stones need to be removed and new weed barrier and stones need to be put down.

Motion made for Donny Black to get quotes for the refurbishment. Seconded & Approved

UMM: Donny Black – they worked with Serve Saluda on a house for 5 days. Nazareth provided the meal for everyone on Thursday. Nazareth was asked to help Serve Saluda w/ supplies that were unexpected.

Motion made to give Serve Saluda \$1000 to help with those costs. Seconded & Approved

Cemetery: Donny Black – the cemetery needs maintenance. Cleaning of stones & monuments and general cleaning up.

Motion made to get quotes to do any and all maintenance needed for the cemetery. Seconded & Approved. Donny Black will get quotes.

Epworth: Donny for Marcia – the 125th birthday of Epworth is coming up and Marcia wants to have a birthday party after church one Sunday (in place of Sunday school). She wanted to make sure everyone was ok with it and she will work on and more information will come later.

Sunday school: Donnie Pearson – There will be no attendance & promotion Sunday this year.

Discussion about starting back with individual Sunday school classes in September. Will there be enough teachers and will attendance be enough for individual classes were the questions. The combined class in the sanctuary is going good and looks like it will be viable for a while.

PPRC: Jeff – will meet August 29th.

Finance: Kathy – Finances are gaining ground slowly. All of the apportionments have been paid. Some discussion about finances and investments.

MYF: Kevin – Working on planning for Youth in the Pulpit on August 15th.

New: Lay school will be the last Sunday in October and the first Sunday in November.

Old: Kevin has internet working in fellowship hall now and the replacement power device for the loft has been purchased.

Melanie informed us that there are still some background checks that have not been completed for people that work with our children. Will work on contacting them and getting completed.

Pastor Report: Ken Freeman – The missionaries that spoke a few weeks ago, Alma & Jeff Whitfield, will be going on a mission trip that will last 5 years and they need financial assistance.

Motion made to donate \$100 per month from Nazareth plus what anyone give individually for them. Seconded & Approved

Ken will announce in church about marking a portion of tithes for the missionaries.

Ken met with other Pastors on Monday. The discussed looking for things to do for the community. A Trunk-or-Treat and something for Thanksgiving was discussed. More information will follow.

Ken and the group had several people to add to prayer list.

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman Adjourn

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

Unapproved Administrative Board Minutes September 1, 2021

Attended: Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Jeff Manchester, Neal Shealy, Kathy Miles, Donny & Marcia Black, Linda Tuttle, Kevin Painter, Julie Hyman, Kendra Waters, Ann Shealy & Sherri Ward

Absent: Kathryn Miller & Janet Rinehart

Call to Order: Melanie

Minutes gone over – 1 correction to PPRC – they did not meet on August 29th. Motion made to approve corrected minutes – seconded/approved

Nurture: Linda –Homecoming is September 26th w/catered meal by T&A Catering, Sacred Calling to entertain. Fall Festival that was to be on September 19th has been rescheduled to September 26th after Homecoming. Sunday school survey has been put on hold for now due to Covid.

Trustee: Donny Black –Still waiting on bids for playground work. Pressure washing has been completed. The Refrigerator & freezer that were ordered are in and installed in kitchen.

Cemetery: Donny Black – the rules have been typed up and are being distributed to all members.

Epworth: Marcia – all 10 cottages have been fed. The last 4 were fed on 8/31/21. 9/5/21 is the workday offering for Epworth. Envelopes are available in Narthex, mark for “Epworth Workday”.

The 125th birthday party for Epworth will be on September 12, 2021 after worship service, no Sunday school that day. It will be outside if weather permits. Motion made for church to pay for supplies, cupcakes/cake and balloons. Seconded & Approved

Finance: Kathy – Budget for 2022 was reviewed and discussed. Slight changes made. Motion made to approve budget for 2022. Seconded & Approved.

Lay Persons: Donny – Donny has taken 3 education courses and 1 course –certified Lay Ministry and the 2nd will be in November, then 2 more in 2022. Lay school will be October 24th & 31st.

Outreach: Marcia – Outreach did gift certificates to Circle Diner for shut-ins and people who haven’t been to church due to Covid. There were 2 medical needs in August. Pastor Ken called about the people in NC that needed drinking water. Donny & Marcia purchased 48 cases of water and Pastor Ken & Randy Kirkland delivered.

Nominations: nominations were made for the following committees: Nominating, PPRC, Finance & Trustees. All have been contacted and accepted. Motion made to accept the nominations. Seconded & Approved

Kids-4-Christ: Julie – Planning Fall activities

Keenagers: Ann – Went out to eat on August 15th, had a small crowd, but had a good time. Will go out to eat after church on October 10th, place not decided yet.

New: Julie mentioned that we need something on the playground for older kids. Linda Tuttle will purchase a web swing if someone will put it up. Donny said that he would see about getting Trustees to put up, but not until after improvements made on playground.

Old: Ann brought up subject about internet to be used in parking lot for kids that don’t have access at home. It was discussed that the school have the password and give to students only if it is asked for. Also, only give to church members to use for kids if asked for.

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman Adjourn

Budget discussion not to be in minutes for newsletter

Motion made to leave pastor salary at \$27,250.00 – seconded /Approved

Motion made to increase pastor bonus to \$1500.00 – seconded/approved

Motion made to increase musician to \$60 per week – total of \$3120.00 per year – seconded/approved

Motion made to increase Custodian to \$90 per week – total of \$4680.00 per year – seconded/approved

Motion made to remove budget item \$600.00 for Revival Speakers – seconded/approved

Motion made to add budget item Kids-4-Christ w/ \$500.00 for 2022 – seconded/approved

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

Approved Administrative Board Minutes October 6, 2021

Attended: Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Jeff Manchester, Neal Shealy, Kathy Miles, Donny & Marcia Black, Kevin Painter, Janet Rinehart, Ann Shealy, Donnie Pearson & Sherri Ward

Absent: Kathryn Miller, Linda Tuttle, Julie Hyman, & Kendra Waters

Call to Order: Melanie

Minutes gone over – No changes– Motion to accept as is. Seconded/approved

Nurture: Ann –Will do “Thankful” posters again this year. Will give out posters on 10/31 to be returned by 11/7/21 to put in courtyard between buildings.

Hanging of the Greens will be on 11/28/21 at 9am, children will help. There will be a brunch afterwards.

Cookies w/Santa will be on 12/7/21. There will be a movie on for children to watch while waiting to get their pictures w/Santa. Children will give their letters to Santa.

Trustee: Donny Black –Still waiting on bids for playground work.

Epworth: Marcia – \$1800 was collected for the Work Day Offering. Received a thank you letter from Epworth. Want to see about putting in newsletter so all can see.

Finance: Kathy – Nothing new. Maintaining as is.

Outreach: Marcia – Working on Thanksgiving Meal – 1 need was brought to attention-checking into it. No other needs at this time.

PPRC: Jeff – Met 9/16/21. Pastor evaluation was done

MYF: will be doing the Christmas gift cards again for Epworth. \$25.00 gift cards from Amazon, Target, Walmart or Uber. MYF will take \$25 cash and purchase gift cards with it for those who want to do it that way. Will need all by end of November to turn in 1st week of December.

Kids-4-Christ: Ann – You’ve been booed will be Oct 24-29. Julie in process of pairing up the kids.

Event at Patchwork Farms on 10/16/21. Will do Operation Christmas Child boxes again. Will have boxes by 11/1/21 and will be collected between Nov 15-22.

Keenagers: Ann – going out after church on 10/10/21

UMW: Sunshine Circle & Rainbow Circle will do a Hotdog, soup & bake sale on Saturday, October 30, 2021. It will be take-out or drive thru around the back of the church from 11am – 1 pm.

Pastor: Halloween Spooktacular 10/30/21 Saturday sponsored by Sheriff’s Dept, Town of Saluda & Saluda County Chamber of Commerce. Will be on Church St 5pm-7pm. Will ask Nazareth & Emory congregations to bring a bag of candy to support the trunk-or-treat by 10/24/21. Will probably do a combined Nazareth/Emory trunk.

Had a Camp Brittany interview online as we still support this mission.

Charge Conference – demographics of area/not many new people moving into area. Membership-discussed sending letters to inactive members.

New: Melanie – mentioned that the mulch around the shrubs washes away. Gutters needed to prevent this from happening. Aware there is a weed problem. Donny & Marcia pull weeds regularly. Donny will work on getting quotes for gutters.

Melanie asked for a list of officers to be put in December newsletter and to maybe have a dedication service for the officers.

Ann asked if a monthly financial report could be presented to the board. What is being paid out and what is coming in. Will be discussed in next finance committee meeting.

Was also asking why we didn’t do communion on the 1st Sunday (10/3/21) as it was “World Communion Day”.

Was stated that Pastor Ken made the decision to move to October 10th.

November 3rd is last board meeting of 2021. Melanie asked to be thinking if we want to change things or leave the same.

It was stated that there are concerns about people sitting in the “Do not use” pews. Some discussion was had. Everyone has different opinions on the matter.

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman Adjourn

Discussion not to be in minutes for newsletter

The pastor bonus & salary was brought up at Charge Conference. It was stated that we are paying lower than the average salary. This will need to be addressed before next year. Any new Pastor would look at salary before being sent to Nazareth/Emory. DS will need to meet w/PPRC in July/Aug 2022 to discuss and look into before a pastor move would be made.

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Absent: Donny Black

Call to Order: Melanie

Opening Prayer: Pastor Ken Freeman

Minutes gone over for October – No changes– Motion to accept as is. Seconded/approved

Nurture: Linda –Thankful posters due Sunday 11/7 – 11/28 Hanging of the Greens – no Sunday school – Brunch will be after service.

Cookies w/Santa will be on 12/7/21.

Trustee: Marcia –2 people have responded to quote on playground. Have received 1, waiting on the other. 2 people responded to quotes on gutters. 1 has been received, waiting on the other.

Finance: Kathy – still gaining. No major expenses.

Outreach: Marcia – Working on Thanksgiving Meal – need names by 11/4. MYF doing Christmas for Epworth. 1 medical need to give to.

PPRC: Jeff – Meeting 11/4 at Nazareth.

MYF: Kevin – Epworth Christmas-gift cards. Donated Christmas ornaments to congregation. Looking to recognize MYF parents. Live Nativity to be determined. Maybe do some caroling.

Kids-4-Christ: Julie – shoeboxes due 11/14. \$9 for shipping. Will church pay? Motion made, seconded & approved for church to pay to ship the shoeboxes out of Missions budget.

Working on a Blessing Box for church-will be after 1st of the year. Non-perishable items only.

Keenagers: Ann – nothing planned yet. Looking for things to do.

UMW: Sunshine Circle & Rainbow Circle Hotdog, soup & bake sale on Saturday, October 30, 2021 was a success.

UMM: Ladies night is 11/10 at the church. This is for single ladies and widows only.

Pastor: Trunk or Treat at the town event went well. Met lots of folks. Had some leftover candy.

New: Thoughts about how to get people to church. Older folks not coming. People out of the habit of coming.

Pastor sent letters out to congregation from both churches.

Remove “do not use” signs on the left side of the sanctuary and leave them on the right side. People can choose to sit where they are comfortable.

Motion made to remove signs on the left side of sanctuary and to remove the bibles and hymnals on the right side. Balcony is open for seating. Motion seconded/Approved.

Old: Cleaning the cemetery. Pressure washing stones. Suggested to ask Snelgrove. Thanks to Tim & Jonathan for getting the swing up in the playground. The children have enjoyed it.

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman Adjourn

Discussion not to be in minutes for newsletter

Neal asked about the \$13,000 from investment that is supposed to be put back into the Cemetery Fund. It has not been done. Kathy Stated she would do it on 11/4.

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

Approved Administrative Board Minutes
February 2, 2022

Attended: Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Kathy Miles, Donny & Marcia Black, Kevin Painter, Ann Shealy, Donnie Pearson, Kendra Waters, Kathryn Miller, Julie Hyman, Linda Tuttle & Sherri Ward

Absent: Jeff Manchester, Neal Shealy, Janet Rinehart

Call to Order: Melanie **Opening Prayer:** Pastor Ken

Minutes from 1/5/22 gone over – No changes– Motion to accept as is. Seconded/approved

Nurture: Linda – Ladies luncheon on 4/30/22. 11am luncheon then program will be Sacred Calling. May 1st service will be Sacred Calling. Communion will be on Mother's Day -May 8th

Trustee: Donny Black – Getting quotes for cleaning carpet in church & parsonage. Drainage problem with toilets – David/Randy/Donny tried to fix – McCombs came out – Septic is ok - drain line has sagged a bit – not worth digging up – need to flush all toilets after functions at church.

Changing light bulbs will get done when all can help. No report on cemetery.

UMM: Shrove Tuesday – pancake & sausage supper at 6pm

Epworth: Marcia – nothing new to report.

Finance: Kathy – Nothing new. Maintaining as is.

Outreach: Marcia – Helped someone w/medical need in January. Two that Outreach will check with.

Sunday School: Donnie P. – nothing new to report.

MYF: Kevin – Souper Bowl Offering – Can goods donations – will store what we get to use for Blessing Box. Maybe get an additional shelf - \$170-\$180. Seasonal items need to be in sea container.

Manger Scene-what to do with it? Trash or put up to use again?

Motion to trash old manger scene – seconded/Approved.

Kids-4-Christ: Julie – Blessing Box is ready – will be up and ready by 2/13/22. On going ministry. Kids will keep stocked w/donations stored at church. A list will be put in newsletter of items suitable for Blessing Box.

8am – 2/23/22 – Valentine's breakfast.

Keenagers: Ann – Luncheon after church on 2/27/22 if covid numbers stay down. Possibly an overnight trip later.

UMW: Kendra – nothing new to report.

Lay Leader: Donny has completed the Lay Ministry training. Will need a called charge conference & PPRC to get approved. Hopes to get all done before March. Pastor Ken to handle.

Pastor: Lente Services – Nazareth service on 3/30/22 @ 12 – ask a Circle to dl lunch – prepare for 50-75.

Motion made for Subway Sub trays, chips & cookies. Seconded/Approved.

New: Melanie – do we want to adjust schedule? Meet in March? Every other month?

Motion made to meet every other month – seconded/Approved.

Meet in April, June, August, September & November for the balance of 2022

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman

Adjourn

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

Approved Administrative Board Minutes
May 4, 2022

Attended: Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Kathy Miles, Donny & Marcia Black, Ann Shealy, Kathryn Miller, Julie Hyman, Janet Rinehart, Linda Tuttle & Sherri Ward

Absent: Jeff Manchester, Neal Shealy, Kevin Painter, Donnie Pearson, Kendra Waters

Call to Order: Melanie

Opening Prayer: Pastor Ken

Before starting Pastor Ken showed a video about the Methodist Church splitting to Global Methodist Church and United Methodist Church. More information to come at a later date.

Minutes from 2/2/22 gone over – 2 changes– Motion to accept as is w/changes. Seconded/approved

Nurture: Linda – Ladies luncheon & Sacred Calling concert on 4/30/22 went great!

New table cloths needed for social hall, the ones we have are old and badly stained.

Motion made to purchase 15 packs of 2 each white table cloths from Amazon. Linda will handle. Seconded & approved.

Need about 5 more of the light weight tables for the social hall.

Motion made to purchase 5 light weight tables. Donny Black will handle purchase. Seconded & approved.

Graduate Sunday is 5/29/22 and Anna Connelly is only graduate.

Homecoming is set for 9/25/22. Still waiting to get guest speaker. Planning Fall Festival that will be open to the entire community on 10/8/22 at 4pm.

Trustee: Donny Black – Carpet in church & parsonage has been cleaned. Lights in the chancelry have been changed. Drainage problem has been fixed. New mulch has been put down around shrubbery.

No word on cemetery stones.

Neal Shealy pressure washed & sealed the playground equipment & tables.

Daniel Lankford installed a new well pump. It was pulled out, rewired and replaced. Have not received bill. He said he may donate services. Waiting to see.

Received bill for ice machine repairs. About \$1000.00. Needed 2 parts and filter.

It was mentioned that the church should send thank you notes to the people from the church that do things to help out and clean and/or fix items.

Things needing attention: 1 pew in Sanctuary needs to be fixed, 2 light bulbs in front fixture of social hall need replacing and need to get a set of blinds for the Pastor's office.

UMM: Donny – UMM appreciates all the support for the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper. It was well attended.

Epworth: Marcia – Mother's Day offering for Epworth will be taken for 2 weeks.

Finance: Kathy – Maintaining general fund. Dawn Smith Jordan has asked for only a love offering. Last time she spoke we paid her \$250.00. Motion made to pay Dawn Smith Jordan \$300.00. Seconded & approved.

Motion made to return to our traditional offering during service. Seconded & approved.

Outreach: Marcia – Have 3 families to help. 1 medical need and 2 for storm damage help.

Kids-4-Christ: Julie – working on summer events. Blessing Box is going well. It is stocked twice a week. Need to keep donations coming.

Keenagers: Ann – planning to go out to lunch after church on 5/22/22

UMW: Kathryn – Sunshine Circle ready to do Mother's day.

Lay Leader: Donny is still at Mt. Carmel. He has received certification and has been Clergy Board approved.

Pastor: Lente Services – Nazareth service on 3/30/22 @ 12 – ask a Circle to do lunch – prepare for 50-75.

Motion made for Subway Sub trays, chips & cookies. Seconded/Approved.

New: Sherri – it was mentioned that we remove the "Do Not Use" signs from the right side of the sanctuary.

Motion made to remove the "Do Not Use" signs from pews. Seconded & approved.

Ann – questions about donations to the Whitfield's missions trips. How is the \$100.00 per month we are sending being used? Have they left for the Greece missions trip?

Pastor – The Whitfield's are preparing to leave for Athens, Greece. 80% of the funds must be collected before they can depart. The funds are held until that is reached.

Ann suggested that they send us regular updates via letters that can be put in newsletter to let members know how things are going.

Marcia – Should we still offer prefixed communion? It was stated that we should continue to offer the prefixed communion and those that wish to use it can.

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman

Adjourn

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

Approved Administrative Board Minutes
June 1, 2022

Attended: Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Kathy Miles, Kathryn Miller, Kendra Waters, Kevin Painter, Donnie Pearson & Sherri Ward

Absent: Jeff Manchester, Donny & Marcia Black, Ann Shealy, Julie Hyman, Janet Rinehart & Linda Tuttle

Call to Order: Melanie

Opening Prayer: Pastor Ken

Minutes from 5/4/22 gone over – 4 corrections– Motion to accept as is w/changes. Seconded/approved

Sunday School: Donnie P. – Sunday school will stay as one class in sanctuary.

Finance: Kathy – Maintaining general fund. Working on date for finance committee meeting.

UMW: Kathryn – UMW will be changed to United Women in Faith

MYF: Kevin – 6/19 will be donuts for Dad after service for Father's day. MYF meeting the first Friday of the month.

Trustee: Pastor Ken – Capacitor on back AC unit was replaced. Ice Machine leaking – called for repairs.

Outreach: Kathy – Voted to help 3 families w/medical problems

New: Pastor Ken – Serve Saluda will be 7-25 to 7-28. There is \$2500 in budget for mission team.

Motion made to send \$1100 to Serve Saluda. Seconded and Approved

The Whitfield's are going to do a video update for the church.

Camp Brittany having issues – repairs – redo bathrooms by pool.

Homecoming – Nicky Long will be guest pastor.

August 3rd meeting – Sherri will be on vacation

Annual Conference starts on 6-5 and will be through 6-6. All will be online.

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman

Adjourn

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

Approved Administrative Board Minutes October 5, 2022

Attended: Ken Freeman, Julie Hyman, Kevin Painter, Donnie Pearson, Kendra Waters, Kathryn Miller, Melanie Lake, Linda Tuttle, Kathy Miles, Ann Shealy, Donny & Marcia Black, & Sherri Ward

Call to Order: Melanie

Opening Prayer: Pastor Ken

Nurture: Linda – Fall Fest with MYF and Kids-4-Christ. Meal, bingo & cake walk. All Saints and Veterans Day together. 10/23 Blessing of the Animals. Laity Sunday 10/16. Hanging of the Greens November 27

Trustee: Donny Black – Pest control – Termite inspection and quarterly pest control.

Sunday School: Donnie – Survey to go back to regular Sunday school classes – not enough participation to go back to individual classes. Discussed attendance and how to increase. Possibly monthly coffee & donuts for the adults and young adults. Possibly do a trial run on November 6th.

MYF: Kevin – delivered prize boxes to Saluda Nursing Center. Meeting Friday 10/7. Doing gift cards for Epworth again for Christmas. Portable Bluetooth speaker for outdoor events – motion made to purchase for church. Seconded. Passed.

Need to consolidate communications – sign, newsletter, Facebook, etc. Think about it

Finance: Kathy – Discussion about Pastor's salary. Budget reflects what PPRC recommended.

Budget for 2023 looked over. Motion made to approve budget. Second Passed.

Outreach: Marcia – Thanksgiving Meal. Need to know who needs a meal. Turkeys are scarce. No Outreach needs as of 10/5/22.

Flood buckets – need them – supplies are short for buckets. Maybe donate money and let the conference handle. Probably about \$75 per bucket. Send \$750 to conference – ask for donations for disaster relief on Sunday 10/9/22 – personal hygiene items. ERT teams – disaster relief help them. Motion made to send \$1000 to ERT Teams – seconded. passed

Kids-4-Christ: Julie – 10/30 – Fun Fest. MYF -Nurture. Games, pumpkin decorating – pick up pumpkins 10/16. There will be numerous games. Trunk or Treat – after church-no Sunday school. Shoe box project – due November 13th. \$10 per box to ship. Motion made for church to pay shipping on shoeboxes. Seconded. Passed.

Ann for Susan: backpack buddies @ Hollywood. There are 7 that get delivered each week. Motion made for backpack buddies to be ongoing. Seconded. Passed.

Keenagers: Ann – Christmas show at Myrtle Beach 12/3 – 1pm show at Carolina Opry. Day trip only

UMW: Kendra – fund raiser end of October. Both Circles are doing hotdog, soup and bake sale.

Pastor: Discussion about possible split of church – general conference 2024. More information is needed.

Old: playground. The entrance to the sliding pole needs to be blocked off so the little ones are not at risk of falling. This will be done.

New: Whitfield's are not in Greece. Moved to NC. Asking for \$1500 monthly. How long are we going to keep sending to them. If not in Greece by January 2023, should we stop funding.

Per email sent to Pastor Ken they are supposed to go in 8 weeks.

Motion made to pay through December 2022. Seconded. Passed.

Matt Snelgrove for 3-night revival. Motion to pay \$50 per night for a total of \$150. Seconded. Passed.

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman

Adjourn

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

Nazareth UMC Administrative Council---March 1, 2023

Present—Ken Freeman, Melanie Lake, Linda Tuttle, Ann Shealy, Julie Hyman, Kevin Painter, Kathy Miles, Kendra Waters

Melanie called meeting to order.

Ken opened with prayer.

Linda-Nurture-Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for March 25 @4:00

5th Sunday Social scheduled for April 30 following worship service

Ladies Retreat scheduled for May 6 11:00-1:00 with Judi Gatson as guest speaker

Kevin-MYE-Souper Bowl took in \$920 to be used for Blessing Box-Next meeting is Friday, March 2

Sunday School Breakfast Club a success so far-Next Breakfast Club is March 5 with Marc Jordan as teacher

Kathy-Finance-2022 Financial Statement presented

Opened 13 month CD with money transferred from Money Market Savings @ 3.5%-no penalty for early withdrawal for nonprofits-no interest paid until maturity

Other Business-Playground equipment, breezeway lights, balcony light that is on timer need attention

Chalk print needs to be hung

Ken-Presented additional information on Disaffiliate Process from the United Methodist Church-Kevin made the motion to start proceeding toward disaffiliation, Kathy second the motion, motion passed-Motion made, seconded and passed to elect a subcommittee to work on disaffiliation process-Donnie Black, Donnie Pearson, Barbara Manchester, Susan Frye, Derek Drafts, Gayle Rhoden, Ken Freeman were selected to be on subcommittee upon their acceptance

Ken closed with prayer.

Meeting adjourned.

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD----MAY 3, 2023

Present—Melanie Lake, Kevin Painter, Marcia Black, Donny Black, Donnie Pearson, Julie Hyman, Ann Shealy, Kathy Miles, Linda Tuttle, Ken Freeman

Melanie called to meeting to order. Ken opened with prayer.

Julie—Kids for Christ is planning activities for summer.

Kevin—MYF will sponsor Donuts for Dad on Father's Day, June 18, and will be collecting school supplies for the less fortunate later this summer.

Marcia—Outreach no known needs at the present time. Adam Tuttle donated large turkey for Thanksgiving meal. Offering for Epworth will be received on Mother's Day, May 14, and May 21.

Donny B.—Trustee reported that grave markers in cemetery have all been cleaned. Need to get cemetery, church yard and parsonage yard sprayed to control fire ants. Shrubbery needs to be remulched. One bath at the parsonage was repaired. Derek Drafts is to repair sink hole in parking lot. Our asphalt needs to be sealed to preserve it.

Donnie P.—Sunday School attendance is up.

Ann—Keenagers going to Old McDonald's Fish Camp in near future.

Linda—Nurture will sponsor Ladies Retreat with Judi Gatson as keynote speaker on May 6. Graduate Sunday will be May 21 with Reagan Collins as our only graduate. Next fifty Sunday social is July 30 following worship.

Kathy—Gave financial report for general fund and cemetery fund.

Discussed donation to Camp Brittany for \$500 and donation to Recovery Team for Greenwood District for \$500. Ann made motion & Marcia seconded.

Ken—Brittany Bowers will head PPRC to replace Angie Rita who resigned. Needs someone to go to annual conference to represent our charge with Randy & Angie Rita redrawing.

Next meeting will be June 12 @ 7:30 with NOW committees at 7:00.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved Administrative Board Minutes
May 3, 2023

Attended: Melanie Lake, Kevin Painter, Marcia Black, Donny Black, Donnie Pearson, Julie Hyman, Ann Shealy, Kathy Miles, Linda Tuttle and Ken Freeman

Melanie called meeting to order. Ken opened with prayer.

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Donnie P. – Sunday School attendance is up

Ann – Keenagers are going to Old McDonald's Fish Camp in the near future.

Linda – Nurture will sponsor Ladies Retreat with Judi Gaston as keynote speaker on May 6th. Graduate Sunday will be May 21st with Reagan Collins as our only graduate. Next fifth Sunday social is July 30th following worship.

Kathy – Gave financial report for general fund and cemetery fund.

Discussed donation to Camp Brittany for \$500 and donation to Recovery Team for Greenwood District for \$500. Ann made motion & Marcia seconded.

Ken – Brittany Bowers will head PPRC to replace Angie Rita who resigned. Needs someone to go to annual conference to represent our charge with Randy & Angie Rita redrawing.

Next meeting will be June 12th at 7:30 with NOW committees at 7:00.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved Administrative Board Minutes June 12, 2023

Attended: Ken Freeman, Donny & Marcia Black, Sherri Ward, Barbara Manchester, Linda Tuttle, Ann Shealy, Donnie Pearson, and Melanie Lake

Call to Order: Melanie **Opening Prayer:** Pastor Ken

Minutes from 5/3/23 gone over – Motion to accept as is. Seconded/approved

Sunday School: Donnie P. No updates

Nurture: Linda Tuttle -Homecoming will be 9/17/23 – Rev. Love will be guest pastor.

Planning Blessing of the Book Bags – Kylee McGlohorn is making key chains.

Keenagers: Ann Shealy – went to Blue Ocean on 6/4/23 -we had 18 to go. There will be an outing to Old McDonalds Fish Camp on a Saturday in the future.

Trustee: Donny Black – UMM will meet and take care of shrubs and other lawn maintenance. Derrick Drafts is repairing the sink hole in the back parking lot-grave stones have been cleaned and paid for. Some other repairs in the church are being done. 2 toilet seats were replaced in the parsonage per Pastor Ken.

Outreach: Marcia Black – 2 needs of a medical nature have been addressed and taken care of.

Epworth: Marcia Black - \$1595 was collected for the Epworth Mother's Day offering. The Workday will be in September.

Discernment: Barbara Manchester – meetings have been held. Discernment time is 7-1-23 to 7-30-23. New on disaffiliation will be coming. Per Donny B. an appraiser, Mike Dodds, has been contracted to do the appraisal. It will take 2-3 weeks to complete and will cost approx. \$1500.00 for the initial appraisal. The tentative date for the congregation to vote is August 20th.

New: General Conference – Melanie & Ken: 113 churches in our district have disaffiliated and were approved at General conference. 5000 churches in the country had disaffiliated in the last 2 years.

The money collected from the churches goes into a fund for the trustees to budget, not into the general conference funds. Supposed to be cutting operation expenses by approx. 14%

4 resolutions regarding LGBTQ issues were introduced, but not voted on due to an error in presenting.

2 resolutions were voted on: one for UMC to oppose the death penalty – not passed

The other was about gun violence and UMC to oppose assault weapons – passed

Old: note on door regarding investments with JB Turner was left to call about the class action suit. Nazareth is a part of it but does not have to do anything.

Pastor: Serve Saluda will be spaced out over 3 weeks this year. We can support with monetary donations anytime.

Nominations committee will tentatively meet on July 16th

September bible study on Mary will start on 9/10/23

Adjourn

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

Unapproved Administrative Board Minutes

August 3, 2023

Attended: Ken Freeman, Sherri Ward, Kathy Miles, Kendra Waters, Barbara Manchester, Linda Tuttle, Ann Shealy, Donnie Pearson, Brittany Bowdler, Janet Rinehart, and Melanie Lake

Call to Order: Melanie

Opening Prayer: Pastor Ken

Minutes from 6/12/23 gone over – Motion to accept as is. Seconded/approved

Sunday School: Donnie P. will issue attendance certificates in September

Nurture: Linda Tuttle -Homecoming will be 9/17/23 – Rev. Love will be guest pastor and there will be a catered meal. October 28th – Fall Fest – November 26th – Hanging of the Greens – December 1st – Pictures w/Santa

Keenagers: Ann Shealy – nothing to report

Trustee: nothing new to report

Outreach: Kathy – Helped a family that lost house to fire. 1 other need for someone battling cancer.

Epworth: Kathy – Workday offering in September

MYF: nothing to report

Kids-4-Christ: nothing to report

Finance: Kathy – general fund \$78,926 – Appraisal done \$2750 – used Cemetery fund for stone cleaning – balance \$97,500

PPRC: Brittany – pastor evaluation to be done in September

Discernment: Barbara Manchester – appraisal done - \$660,000 appraisal for church & property. The 10% for disaffiliation -range is \$120K - \$135K. New discernment date/period is 7/30/23 to 8/30/23. Date to vote will probably be January 2024 – Dr. Love will come to speak. September 17th annual charge conference at Emory.

Congregational meeting at 10am on 8/20/23. Mt Horeb 10am Global Gathering 8/12/23 -all invited.

New: Safe Sanctuary review – need new background checks.

Ann stated that we need defibrillators and de-chokers for church. Brittany stated that the defibs were purchased for her work for approx. \$1478 each. She provided documentation showing the amount. Motion made to purchase 2 defibrillators and 2 de-chokers for church. Seconded and approved.

Fire extinguishers need inspecting. Discussed about looking into CPR class for anyone in congregation interested.

Discussed having a brochure for newcomers with information about committees, etc.

It was mentioned that we need a fence around the playground area for the children's safety. This was to be taken to Donny Black w/Trustees.

Discussed needing a canopy/tent over a portion of the playground for shade. A motion was made to get pricing on canopy/tent for playground area. Seconded and approved.

Next meeting will be at 7:30pm on September 6th.

Adjourn

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – SEPTEMBER 6, 2023

PRESENT – Melanie L, Julie H, Ann S, Kevin P, Donny B, Marcia B, Kathy M, Ken F, Linda T

Melanie called the meeting to order.

Ken opened with prayer.

It was stated that ALL future board meetings would be at 7:30. Next board meeting will be November 1.

TRUSTEES – Donny – New mailbox has been installed. Leyland Cypress in front of church, Oak tree at end of cemetery, and 2 trees at parsonage all need to come down. Getting quotes for flooring at parsonage (will be replacing carpet with something other than carpet). Got 2 quotes for metal shed (12X20) for playground. (\$1850 & \$1780) But need to regroup on larger size to cover picnic tables and benches. Getting quotes for fencing around playground. (4" high)

NURTURE – Linda – Fall Festival and 5th Sunday Social will be held Sunday, October 28 following worship. Bingo, Cake Walk, Face Painting, Train Rides, Games, Subs, Chips & Dessert.

KEENAGERS – Ann – Planning a trip to Old McDonald Fish Camp in the near future.

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OUTREACH – Marcia – Had 2 needs in August. No needs so far in September. Will be planning Thanksgiving meal starting in October.

EPWORTH – Marcia – Epworth offering September 10 & 17.

DISAFFILIATION COMMITTEE – Meet Sunday, September 10.

PPRC – Melanie – Motion made and passed to give Ken a 6% raise on our share of salary which would be \$1635/year increase plus continue \$1635/year bonus.

TREASURER – Kathy – Church account = \$73,317. Paid for a/c repair on van and apportionments. CD = \$200,000. Money Market savings = \$102,000. 2024 budget was presented and approved as amended.

NOMINATIONS – Melanie – 2024 nominations was presented and approved with one exception.

SAFE SANCTUARY – Melanie – Handed out new proposal for safe sanctuary. To discuss at next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS – Some Sundays there has been no security person. This is a concern for persons keeping nursery.

Meeting was adjourned and Ken dismissed with prayer.

Unapproved board meeting minutes September 6, 2023

PRESENT – Melanie L, Julie H, Ann S, Kevin P, Donny B, Marcia B, Kathy M, Ken F, Linda T

Melanie called the meeting to order.

Ken opened with prayer.

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NEW BUSINESS – Some Sundays there was no security person. This is a concern for people keeping nursery.

The meeting was adjourned and Ken dismissed with prayer.

Approved board meeting minutes
November 1, 2023

PRESENT – Ken Freeman, Donny & Marcia Black, Janet Rinehart, Sherri Ward, Kevin Painter, Donnie Pearson, Linda Tuttle, Ann Shealy, Barbara Manchester, and Melanie Lake
Melanie called the meeting to order.

Ken opened with prayer.

Minutes from September 6, 2023 board meeting were read and approved as written

TRUSTEES – Donny – waiting on quote for playground fencing. Got quotes on covers for picnic tables on playground. Would need 2 and cost would be approx. \$7000.00. 2 metal sheds would be approx. \$3800.

Motion made to purchase 2 metal sheds (12X20) for playground and 3 poly picnic tables.

Maximum purchase \$5000. If over \$5000, bring back to board for approval. Seconded – approved.

Trees – 6 trees at parsonage need to come down. All 6 must come down as they are dead and/or deteriorating. Donny has talked to someone about taking them down but is getting more quotes. Will be expensive, but has to be done.

Parsonage flooring – still getting quotes

Before April of 2024 we need to take care of all things that need to be fixed and/or purchased.

Plan to do as soon as possible.

Swing stolen from playground – Ann & Bruce Shealy said they would replace- talked about the possibility of surveillance cameras. Tabled until later to discuss.

DISAFFILIATION COMMITTEE – Donny – the \$1000 has been paid to legal group to handle. Incorporation papers filed: Nazareth Methodist Church. \$56.50 paid for incorporation papers filed. New bylaws before Dec 1. Can not use cross and flame trademark.

NURTURE – Linda – 12/1 pictures w/Santa, 12/3 Hanging of the Greens, 12/31 5th Sunday Social

KEENAGERS – Ann – working on planning an outing soon

MYF –Kevin - went and saw “The Thorn” – was a good play. Collecting \$25 gift cards for Epworth. MYF making ornament gifts for congregation and have made gifts for our shut-ins.

KIDS FOR CHRIST – Ann – 11/11 at church – Critter Keepers and a meal. Shoe boxes due 11/12.

OUTREACH – Marcia – no needs to date. Working on Thanksgiving meal.

EPWORTH – Marcia – thankful for MYF working on \$25 gift cards for Epworth.

CIRCLES – Fundraiser held on 10/29/23 was a success! Sunshine and Rainbow Circles both getting approx. \$750 each.

TREASURER – to be added

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Donnie P. – nothing to report

PPRC – will meet on 11/3 at 6pm

OLD BUSINESS – status of purchasing defibrillators and DE-chokers? Curtis H. to talk w/Jacob Starnes about purchasing.

Was mentioned that we need blood pressure cuffs and a pulse ox at the church.

Motion made to purchase BP cuffs and pulse ox. Seconded and approved. Melanie said she would do that.

NEW BUSINESS – Need volunteers to keep nursery on Sundays. Several people have asked to be removed from the list for 2024. Will put in bulletin asking for volunteers.

Discussed meeting dates and times for 2024.

Motion made to meet at 7:30pm on the first Wednesday of the month in January, March, May, August, September and November. Can have a call meeting if necessary. Now Committees will meet at 7pm.

Seconded and approved.

PASTOR – Ken – going to Charlotte to Samaritans Purse on December 9th. 1pm – 6pm. Anyone wanting to go must be 13yrs old and older.

The meeting was adjourned and Ken dismissed with prayer.

Approved Administrative Board Minutes
January 3, 2024

Attended: Sherri Ward, Donny & Marcia Black, Curtis Hedgepeth, Linda Tuttle, Ann Shealy, Julie Hyman, Kathy Miles, Ken Freeman, Donnie Pearson, and Kevin Painter

Call to Order: Donny Black

Opening Prayer: Pastor Ken

Minutes from 5/3/23 gone over – Motion to accept as is. Seconded/approved

Sunday School: Donnie P. – reducing Sunday school material for next shipment.

Nurture: Linda Tuttle – 2024 calendar almost completed. The sign in front of church will have a general message put up and it will remain that way. Gayle was changing and she is done. The letters are old and some are missing. Upon disaffiliating it will come down anyway.

MYF: Kevin P. – the ornaments from MYF were given to congregation during the Christmas season. Souper Bowl offering will be 2/11/24. Next meeting will be 1/5/24.

Finance: Kathy M. – end of year: \$69,000.00 in general fund, \$98,000.00 savings/CD's CD will mature. Motion made to renew CD for 6 months in case we need funds for disaffiliation. Seconded/passed.

Keenagers: Ann Shealy – working on outing for February and others

Kids-4-Christ: Julie H. – Critters Keepers was a success on 11/11/23. Shoe Boxes were a success. Working on planning some things.

Outreach & Epworth: Marcia B. – No needs for Outreach at this time. Supported Happy Wheels, Richland Children's Hospital and Sheriff's dept. for space heaters.

Card from Epworth thanking Nazareth for the gift cards MYF collected for Christmas.

Trustee: Donny Black/Curtis Hedgepeth – Total of 8 trees that need to be taken down between parsonage and church properties. Martin Berry will take down 8 trees, clear underbrush from around parsonage and haul off all debris for \$8000.00. Bill to be sent to be paid in January.

Flooring to be replaced in parsonage w/22mil lock down laminate. 2200 sq ft \$14,700.00. Includes moving and replacing furniture, putting floor down and removing all debris. Whitaker Flooring to do work. Motion made, seconded and approved. Was said that we go ahead and pay for materials and store at parsonage and possibly paying for the work ahead of time for the flooring and tree cutting and removal. Ann Shealy wanted in minutes that she was against doing this and thought it was a poor decision to do so.

Sofa and recliner need replacing at parsonage. Economy Furniture gave a good price. \$730 for Sofa and \$480 for recliner. No delivery fee and only a \$30 fee to haul off old sofa and recliner. Total is \$1337.00.

Motion made to replace Sofa & recliner with items from Economy Furniture for total \$1337.00. seconded/approved

Kathy M. to follow up with Emory UMC about paying some of the expenses for the parsonage. The 2 covers for the playground need building permits procured in order to get them erected.

Donny B. will take care of getting the permit to get covers put up.

1 pew has a crack – Donny B. will take care of getting fixed.

Disaffiliation: our vote to disaffiliate will be at 6 pm on Wednesday, January 24, 2024. Deeds turned in to attorney to do quit claim and get new deeds w/new name. Disaffiliation committee will meet on Monday, January 8, 2024. Forming new by laws for Nazareth Methodist Church. Will be sent back to attorney when completed. Working on how church will be governed.

Nominations committee will tentatively meet on July 16th

September bible study on Mary will start on 9/10/23

Adjourn

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

Nazareth UMC – disaffiliation vote
January 24, 2024

Church met on Wednesday, January 24, 2024, at 6 pm for the vote to disaffiliate from the United Methodist Conference.

Dr. Love opened with a few words of encouragement and scripture.

Pastor Ken Freeman opened us with prayer.

Reverend Dr. Stephen L. Love, District Superintendent was present and presided over the vote. Recording secretary, Sherri M. Ward was present and did check-in of full valid members in attendance and assisted Dr. Love with counting of the votes and recording total attendance and records to send to the district office.

The purpose of this charge was to vote to disaffiliate or not and to vote on the 2 trustee's that will sign off of everything.

There were 70 congregation members present. Verified by Dr. Love and Sherri Ward via sign-in sheets.

Yes – 68

No – 2

Nazareth voted to disaffiliate from the United Methodist Conference.

Closing prayer was made by Dr. Love

Unapproved Administrative Board Minutes
March 6, 2024

Attended: Melanie Lake, Sherri Ward, Donny & Marcia Black, Curtis Hedgepeth, Linda Tuttle, Ann Shealy, Julie Hyman, Kathy Miles, Ken Freeman, Kendra Waters, and Kevin Painter

Call to Order: Melanie **Opening Prayer:** Pastor Ken

Minutes from 5/3/23 gone over – Motion to accept as is. Seconded/approved

Sunday School: Nothing to report

Nurture: Linda Tuttle – Egg hunt on March 23rd @ 10:30am. Ladies Retreat -April 13th

MYF: Kevin P. – \$761 was collected during Souper Bowl offering. Bookmarks will be given to the congregation for Easter. Cards will be sent to shut-ins – Teddy Bear bags for Sheriff dept-collecting items-sign-up sheet in Narthex until end of March.

Finance: Kathy M. – Bruce audited all books – see attached. CD rolled to 8-month term @ 5%. Please be mindful to adjust thermostat when using fellowship hall – power bill was extremely large last month.

Keenagers: Ann Shealy – Going to Dillard House on April 6th

Kids-4-Christ: Julie H. – Outing to Big Air Trampoline Park on March 30th @ 10am

Women in Faith: Kendra – working on Mother's Day gift

Outreach & Epworth: Marcia B. – 3 medical needs and 1 lost house to fire – Outreach

Nothing to report for Epworth – just keep Mother's Day Offering in mind

Trustee: Donny Black/Curtis Hedgepeth – Upgrade to well and filtration system needed \$2500 and yearly maintenance. Motion made to get filtration system – seconded – passed

The ice machine will need maintenance after the filtration system is installed.

Gutters at parsonage need cleaning – Curtis will get someone to do it.

AED came in – will put in room to left as enter Narthex. Choke devise not yet in.

Disaffiliation: Deeds have been taken to conference. Presiding Elder from Global Methodist Church will give presentation on March 21st @ 6pm.

Global will help us retain access to pastors – Independent would mean we find our own pastor.

As of June 30th – we will be Nazareth Methodist Church.

Need a congregational vote to see if going to go with Global. Need to vote soon.

New & Misc: Melanie – asked Susan to do something with the children during the year. At least 4 times or more if can.

Kevin suggested that a television be put where children can see the video's they are singing to so they can see the hand motions that are done.

The Lenten service done at Nazareth – Meal was approx. \$220.00. Fed approx. 62-64. Funded from special services.

Autumn needed to update the program used for the service on the big screen. Was \$405 to upgrade and approximately \$150 for the subscription to keep it updated.

Playground sheds ordered and will be put up as soon as possible.

Adjourn

Closing Prayer: Ken Freeman

Submitted by: Sherri Ward

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Special church charge meeting

Officiating: Pastor Ken Freeman and Donny Black

Congregation voting to go with the Global Methodist Church, be an Independent Methodist Church or other options.

Gayle Rhoden and Barbara Manchester will count the votes after they are taken up.

Scott Collins asked what the differences between Global and Independent are and what were the advantages of choosing Global.

Donny Black answered the questions asked citing that we have support from Global, assistance finding a Pastor if necessary and that there is no trust clause. Apportionments are significantly lower than UMC.

Independent – we pay for everything and have to do a search for our own Pastor.

Donny Black made a motion that Nazareth become part of the Global Methodist Church.

Melanie Lake seconded that motion.

Leadership and Trustees will have the authority to move to the congregation's choice.

Vote:

Global - 46

Independent - 12

Other - 0

58 total votes – motion passed, and Nazareth will move to the Global Methodist Church

Paperwork will be started this week.

Pastor Ken Freeman closed with prayer.

Adjourned.