



University Park United Methodist Church
Church Council Meeting
April 22, 2024
Gathering Area

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Joe Stobaugh, Emma Williams, David Tabor, Joe Brannon, Constance Harp, Scott Gregory, Early Dennison, Brooke Messer, Lee Wiley, Dub Newman, Thomas Wainscott, Mike Bennett, Dawn Moore, Ann Parker, Lauri Hainsfurther, Jillian Bunn, Diane Brooks, Lary Hooten, Noah Stitchcomb and Knox Hickey.

WELCOME

David Tabor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

OPENING PRAYER

Joe Stobaugh opened the meeting in prayer.

GO-AROUND-QUESTION

Joe asked everyone to introduce themselves and their role and share their favorite Resurrection appearance story. Among those stories shared were the Road to Emmaus, Mary Magdalene, James, Peter and Thomas.

PPRC UPDATE

Ann Parker presented the PPRC update and shared that the Employee Recognition Policy will be presented at the May Church Council meeting. Three members have been asked to look at the Weekday School bylaws for a tuition discount to church employees and to provide their own chaplain who will be vetted by the church.

LAY LEADER UPDATE

Jillian Bunn presented the Lay Leader report and shared that the Spring Fellowship Pot Luck lunch was well attended (75 people) and we received very good feedback. She said the Lay Leaders were looking forward to Confirmation Sunday on May 5 and Pentecost Sunday on May 19. She said more volunteers are needed for Vacation Bible School.

FINANCE UPDATE

Joe Brannon presented the Finance report and shared that the estimated revenue for the first quarter of 2024 was \$600,000. The actual was \$668,203.15, a slight surplus of 11%. He said the church is off to a really strong start this year. Constance Harp announced that quarterly mini impact cards will be emailed to members. We want to reach out to members personally with month to month giving and celebrate those who

have completed their annual giving.

PROJECT UPDATE

Dub Newman passed out copies of the Deferred Maintenance Projects report. He reported for Trustees that the irrigation from Preston Road to the Tower Entrance would direct the water to the street. He said the tree trimming work is complete. Removal of the big tree will begin May 6. Leveling on the Colgate Lawn will begin April 29 and will include two drains exited out and more uniform lawn. It will be out of commission for three weeks. One of the sunk pumps in the machine room area has been replaced. Replacement parts are needed for the other pump. He said there was a leak issue in the Activity Center ceiling. Another leakage was discovered outside the men's restroom by the Parlor. Two copper pipes have rusted and the answer is forthcoming. One of the battery backups for the network went out and may be replaced Friday after voting. We are waiting for a bid for roof and gutter work on the rear of the building. He reminded everyone that the insurance replacement was only 7.4% higher which was good. Regarding general maintenance, air filters will be replaced on a monthly basis and also lights in the chandeliers. Lee Wiley reported the final punch in the Youth Center was \$112,000 under budget. Dub added that the next task to tackle will be the location of security cameras and waiting on recommendations.

Joe thanked everyone and especially Trustees for their investment of God's future for our church. He encouraged us to share these stories with others. He is grateful we believe in the mission God is calling us to be.

David asked for approval of the March Council meeting minutes and everyone agreed.

Joe asked if there were any questions about the Pastoral Report, which included Capital Campaign Updates and reported eleven transformative Holy Week and Easter services, new Bible Study on Mark, School of Essential Wisdom session with Suzanne Stabile, Eclipse watching party on the church lawn and the Project Transformation Luncheon that filled the Activity Center.

David asked if we could change the May Council meeting from May 27 to May 20 because of Memorial Day holiday. Some will not be available but others agreed.

Mike Bennett said the ADA representative approved everything, including the Tower entrance staircase glass panels.

David adjourned the meeting.