

Administrative Board Meeting August 27, 2017

Board Chairperson, Jay Jeffries, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

LOVING

John Duncan presented the devotion from Isaiah 43 and opened the meeting with a prayer.

LEARNING

Rev. Suddarth reviewed the homework from the book, Power Surge. A short review of chapters 6 & 7 with Rev. Suddarth's bullet points, were handed out as separate handout pages. Please see the attached handouts for specific details. A restructuring of committees will be taking place so that the lay leadership can use principles from Power Surge.

Rev. Suddarth also presented the Discipleship Pathway. A sermon series in September will concentrate on our vision. There are four ways we will emphasize that we make disciples – worship, discipleship, mission and evangelism. Loving God = worship and discipleship and Loving neighbor = mission and evangelism. They go together to make us full, active disciples of Jesus Christ.

LEADING

Approval of Previous Minutes – Michelle Taylor

The minutes from the April 23, 2017 Administrative Board meeting was reviewed by the board members. Hearing no changes or corrections, John Duncan moved that the minutes of the meeting be approved as written. Nelson Company provided the second to the motion. The minutes from the Administrative Board were passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Covenant Scoreboard – Rev. Wood

Associate pastor Dane Wood provided overview of the SLI covenant scoreboards. The administrative board was charged to pray daily for leadership and pray weekly for the staff and administrative board members.

Lay Leadership names – Rev. Suddarth

Cards left over from last year that requested names for the lay leadership council to ask about serving within the church. Rev. Suddarth requested that names be written down and turned in on the cards at the end of the meeting.

Staff Items – Nelson Company

The committee continues to align the staff as they see the church's needs. In response to Jathaniel Cavitt's new appointment, Kris Konsowitz's retirement, and Elena's move to full

time education, we've welcomed Dane Wood as a new associate pastor and we also welcome Cathy Larsen as pastor of student ministries. Melanie Duncan will also serve as coordinator of Senior Adult Ministries. D D Jackson will continue as programing assistant and assistant to Blaine Tooley. Holly Winchell is now an assistant to communications and Michael Stires while still serving as assistant director of children. Mark Taylor has resigned from associate director of youth. Nelson also presented an organizational chart for the staff. Please see the attached chart for more specific details.

Administrative Reports

Treasurer's Report – David Jackson

Cash balances offered were for accounts reconciled as of July 31, 2017. Total cash balance of all accounts: \$755,510.13. Debt balance is \$4,807,508.20 at a rate of 2.456%. The total of the United Methodist Foundation Endowment accounts: \$165,320.63. Please see the attached written report for specific details.

Finance Committee Report – Kirby Oldham

Information provided is current through July 31, 2017. Total income actual year to date is \$1,435,129.23 compared to the budgeted amount of \$1,527,513.20. Expenses year to date are \$1,414,288.10 compared to the budgeted amount of \$1,557,837.01. Kirby thanked the staff for doing a good job of keeping expenses under control in light of income being down.

Preschool total income year to date is \$260,893.68 compared to the budgeted amount of \$266,215.00, and total expenses of \$293,735.90 compared to the budgeted amount of \$274,972.45. There were a few unexpected remodel expenses that affected the actual number to be higher. The Common Cup total income year to date is \$5,675.53 compared to the budgeted amount of \$7,966.35 and total expenses of \$4,576.02 compared to the budgeted amount of \$5,445.50. Please see the attached written report for specific details.

The Finance Committee met recently and approved a motion for David Atkinson and Don Hennigan to negotiate a capital campaign with Impact Stewardship, who has helped with previous building campaigns, for the Spring of 2018 to help reduce our debt.

Peace Tree UMC Update – Kristofer Roof

Rev. Roof gave an update of the events and exciting experiences at Peace Tree UMC. Rev. Roof is excited that the house groups are reaching an average of 80-100 people. Additionally, their regular Sunday attendance is 60 people. Peach Tree UMC has also been able to tithe 10% of their offerings to the Conference. Please see the attached written report for more specific information regarding the financial overview of covenant support and the most recent financial audit report.

Rev. David Atkinson gave the pastor's report. As the church continues to put staff in place and live out the mission through the principles of engage, connect, equip and send, that

we will transform lives. Keep the main focus, the financial numbers will fall in line. The community is growing and our ability to target families with children through our missions, we will be able to see fruits of that labor and it will also take place in the finances as well.

Rev. Atkinson recently spent some time with the mission team at Sager Brown. He was very humbled to learn about birthing kits that UMCOR was providing to Angola. With hurricanes inundating our country, he would expect that our church would make ourselves and our resources available to help those people. If our core values are servant hood and missions, he hopes that when we hear of needs today, that we get involved and send people and resources and make a difference in people's lives.

Jay Jeffries presented old business – a clarification of finance account report. What was recorded at the last meeting was “Also the Memorial Account Fund for the Sanctuary on the Square will pay the actual utilities for that building.” What was not stated, but was in the Finance Committee minutes was, from the same fund will also be taken the Sanctuary on the Square's portion of insurance and grounds upkeep. No other old business was heard.

No new business was heard.

Rev. Atkinson closed the meeting with a prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Taylor
Recording Secretary