

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL- Minutes

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at Ely UMC

Call to Order: Vice Chair Pam Turnbull called the meeting to order at 6:10 PM.

Present: Bryan Rusco, Patty Rusco, Mark Olson, Dan Johnson, Pam Turnbull, Pastor Kay

Opening Prayer by Pastor Kay

Minutes: Mark Olson moved to approve the minutes from January 15, 2025.

Seconded by Bryan Rusco. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Mark Olson presented the January 2025 report. Account balances are \$66,742.84 General Fund, \$6,966.78 Benevolence Fund, \$16,425.03 Building Fund, \$20,479.01 Memorial Fund. Bryan moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Trustees: Bryan said they will be meeting April 9, 2025. Pam reported the overflow room continues to progress with new baseboards being installed. The bulletin board doors on the shelves and the window ledge shelf are next.

2. Pastor-Parish Relations – In Steve Nelson's absence, Pastor Kay reported that Steve has been checking in each with her each week. Pastor Kay's family is loving the parsonage.

3. Worship: Dan talked about the needs in the multi-purpose room for choir music storage. Ash Wednesday Service set for March 5 at 6 p.m. with the confirmation class assisting Pastor Kay as well as the March 30 Sunday service. Good Friday service will be April 18 at 5:30 PM. Easter Sunday is April 20. There was much discussion on the need for a new printer as the existing printer is not compatible with newer computers and does not want to print on legal size paper that is being used for the bulletins. A newer printer also would give the opportunity for less expensive ink refills. Bryan moved we purchase a new printer with an ink tank up to \$500 cost, with funds from office administration budget. Dan seconded. Motion carried. Worship Committee authorized Pastor Kay to purchase a Lavalier microphone headset vs the lapel mic that is currently used.

4. Connections: Mark highlighted items in Jay's report in his absence. The Church Copyright License and Streaming License has been registered and paid for. Small Group Gatherings for March – May are underway as is the MN North – Vermilion Campus food shelf initiative. The next All-Church potluck is scheduled for Palm Sunday, April 13.

5. Education – Pastor Kay will be talking with the committee about a possible Adult Sunday School for the Fall.

6. Memorials – In Marge's absence, Pastor Kay said they met and talked about some Memorial money going to the exterior ramp and stair project.

7. UMW: A coffee time with our members at Carefree was held.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Cloud Storage – Pastor Kay said most of our records and information are already stored on the Cloud. The question is how those may be accessed through an admin or if they are read only.

NEW BUSINESS

Pastor's Report: Pastor Kay said she and Sheri Rue have been reaching out to people to look at updating the website. She also talked about Tithe.ly, putting more responsibility on the Nominating Committee, getting our membership roster updated and having a Finance Committee meeting March 12 at 4 p.m. Pastor Kay views this as a data gathering year and next year to focus on visioning and team building with a possible leadership retreat. There was some discussion concerning phone and internet at the parsonage. Mark Olson is taking care of how these are covered.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Thank you from UMCOR for our \$2405 donation for disaster relief and a thank you from our sponsored child through Children's International.

ITEM OF INFORMATION

1. Next Ad Council meeting is Wednesday, March 19, 6 p.m. Sheri Rue is scheduled to do the devotion.

The meeting was adjourned before 8 p.m. sometime with a group recitation of the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Turnbull, Acting Secretary in Jeanne's absence and hope I never have to do it again.