

**ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – MINUTES**  
**Ely United Methodist Church**

**April 18, 2012**  
**Number Present: 6**

Vice Chairman Keith Rue called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Keith began the meeting with an Opening Thought from “The Upper Room”, followed by an opening prayer.

The Minutes of the March 21, 2012 Ad Council meeting were approved as printed.

The **Treasurer’s Report** for March, 2012 was presented. All bills were paid to date. End of the month account balances - General Fund: \$2,652.57; Building Fund: \$10,336.85; Memorial Fund: \$8,825.09

The **Church Visioning Committee** is completed project identification will meet every 3 months. The next committee meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2012 @ 7 PM.

The **Board of Trustees** met on April 3, 2012. A number of property maintenance tasks were identified and discussed with members of the Trustees volunteering to see that the tasks would be completed. Projects of note include:

1. Repairing the Steeple Siding. A revised estimate of \$5,200 from Kovall Construction was approved and sent to the Ad Council for funding approval. The Ad Council approved funding the project from the Building Fund.
2. The door in the main entryway at the top of the stairs from the Fellowship Hall will be replaced with a new door - with a 2’ x 3’ window, self closing hinges and opening away from the stairs into the entryway. The door has been ordered.
3. Approved adding insulation above the ceiling in the stairwell and the sanctuary storeroom after adding a vapor barrier, then replacing the ceiling.
4. Approved repairing the Parsonage front steps by replacing the steps with a pre-cast set of steps and repairing the landing surface. The project will be done by Nickerson Construction, and paid for by UMW.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Minnesota Annual Conference** registration fees have been paid for Church Delegate Lucy Diesslin and for Pastor Dana Thompson. Annual Conference is May 30-June 1, 2012 in St. Cloud.
2. **Nursery Electrical Outlet Progress.** An electrician has been contacted and will be installing the outlet.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Annual Conference Love Offering** will be taken at the worship service on **Sunday, May 22, 2012**. This year’s love offering will go to MN UM Parish Health Association (30%), “Imagine No Malaria” (30%), “Communities of Shalom” (30%) and “Volunteers in Mission” first-time scholarships (10%). The Ad Council approved a minimum Love Offering of \$150 from our church with, any needed amount to come from the Church’s General Fund.

**ITEMS OF INFORMATION**

1. Butch Diesslin received an inquiry from Cindy Anderson Bina, Counselor at Vermilion Community College about the Ely Churches renewing the ecumenical sponsorship of a free meal for the college students on a Sunday in September, 2012. Butch will contact the other Ely churches to see if they are interested in participating.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

The meeting was closed by those attending reciting “*The Lords Prayer*”.

Respectfully Submitted, Blaine “Butch” Diesslin