

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

**January 15, 2014**  
**Number Present: 9**

Chairman Jay Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

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

The minutes of the December 18, 2013 Administrative Council meeting were approved as printed.

The Treasurer’s report for December, 2013 was accepted as presented, with an end of the month General Fund balance of \$3,927.97, a Building Fund balance of \$20,698.73, Reserve Fund balance of \$5,017.05 and a Memorial Fund balance of \$11,612.98.

The **Board of Trustees** will met January 2, 2014. Volunteers are being sought for March to remove snow from the Church Sidewalks. See the Sign-up Sheet in the back of the Church

The **Outreach Committee** thanked the members of the Visioning Committee for updating the “*Welcome Visitors*” tri-fold placed in the pew cardholders.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There were no items of old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Church Audit** – The Audit Committee completed the audit of the Church’s financial accounts and the related account bank statements. The committee found that the balances of the Church’s funds were correct. The Audit Committee recommended that the Building Fund and the Administrative Reserve Fund each have a separate bank account.
2. **Financial Account Rearrangement** - Per the recommendation of the Audit Committee, motion by Keith Rue/second by Jeanne Tomlinson – that the Administrative Reserve Fund be closed with the balance of \$5,017.05 be moved to the Building Fund where \$5,000 will be recorded in the account ledger as Undesignated Funds. Motion Passed.
3. **Natural Church Development Survey** – The Visioning Committee requested approximately \$150 for administering and evaluating the Natural Church Development survey within our church. Motion by Lucy Diesslin/Second by Margie Olson. Motion Passed.
4. **Outreach Project** – Pastor Dana Thompson was contacted by a representative of the Outdoor Endeavors Club, a group within Vermilion Community College’s Campus Life Program. The Outdoors Endeavors Club will be having a fundraising event on Saturday March 22 and invited the church to have a mutual fundraising activity. Those in attendance agreed that the Club is worthy of voluntary support from our Church in the form of a free will offering. Moved by Lucy Diesslin/Second by Jeanne Tomlinson, that the Church will collect a free will offering on Sunday March 16, 2014 to go to the Outdoor Endeavors Club. Motion passed.

There were no items of correspondence.

**ITEMS OF INFORMATION**

1. January Pasties – January 20-21, 2014.
2. **The Alpha Course** – Had the introductory session on Sunday January 12, with 24 people attending. A total of 29 people have signed up, with other interested in attending the course are encouraged and invited to sign up.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM.

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

Respectfully Submitted, Blaine “Butch Diesslin