

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – MINUTES
Ely United Methodist Church

April 15, 2015
Number Present: 8

President Jay Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Pastor Dana Thompson provided the “Opening Thought” from “*The Upper Room*” For April 15, 2015. The “Opening Thought” was followed by prayer.

The Minutes of the March 18, 2015 Ad Council meeting; as printed in the April 2015 issue of “*The Fish*” newsletter. A motion to accept as printed by Jeanne Tomlinson, 2nd by Margie Olson was approved unanimously.

The **Treasurer’s Report** for March, 2015 was presented and highlighted by Treasurer Mark Olson. The March end of the month account balances – Building Fund Account: \$ 21,910.23, Memorial Fund Account: \$ 11,270.42; Checking Account: \$4,809.24.

Checking Account Funds: General Fund: \$2,505.97, Parish Health Ministries \$516.66, Reach, Renew, Rejoice \$1,125.00, Zach Dean \$39.15, Undesignated Funds \$ 3,000. Motion to Accept Treasurer’s Report (M: Margie Olson/S: Jeanne Tomlinson) Accepted

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The **Board of Trustees** Met on April 6. Reviewed existing projects and identified new projects.

The **Memorial Fund Task Force** – Will meet in May

OLD BUSINESS

1. **New Church Directory.** Jay is taking general interest pictures of Church activities and facilities. Contact Jay if you would like pictures taken of your Church group/activity. Jeanne Tomlinson is writing an article about the new church directory for the April, 2015 issue of “*The Fish*” Church Newsletter. The photographer for the directory publisher will be scheduled for July to take portraits, and in August for re-takes.
2. **Reach, Renew, Rejoice** – The total donated to date: \$1,125; unchanged during March.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Side Street Barbecue** – Muffin Nelson requested to speak to our Ad Council and invite our Church members to join the members of First Presbyterian Church and Grace Lutheran Church at the “*Second Annual Side Street Barbecue*”. The event will take place on 3rd Ave E., adjacent to Grace Lutheran Church. Grilled meats will be provided and those attending are requested to bring and salad or dessert item to share. Date is to be Sunday, August 9. Moved by Jeanne, Second by Lucy: Our Church will participate and the Church will contribute \$100 toward the cost of the Meat, Buns, etc. Motion Approved. Jeanne and Margie will be our Church’s planning representatives for the event. Jay will contact Muffin Nelson with our acceptance of the invitation to participate in the Barbecue.
2. **Habitat For Humanity – Ely Home Construction** – Muffin Nelson reported on the new house building plan and requested volunteers to help with construction. The members of the Church Men’s Group will discuss and respond. The members of UMW will consider providing a lunch for the volunteer construction workers.
3. **Annual MN United Methodist Church Conference – May 27-29, 2015**
Lucy Diesslin will be our delegate to Annual Conference and will bring our Church’s *Love Offering* to the Conference. Motion by Lucy; Second by Jeanne – To take our Love offering on Sunday, May 17, and for the Church to guarantee a minimum of \$100 total. Carried.
4. **Lenten Supper Proceeds** – Motion by Margie, Second by Jeanne – that the \$230 income from the Lenten Supper be distributed as follows: Northern Lights Clubhouse: \$65; Minding our Future: \$65; Northwoods Partners: \$100. Motion Approved.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. A Thank You from Children’s International for our sponsorship of our Guatemalan child - Elvelin Sarai Jiatz Cutzal - was received and posted on the bulletin board.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION

1. **Church Computer** – Dana reported that the Church’s computer in the Pastor’s Study is not functioning properly. The computer will be taken to Wolfland Computers for diagnostics, etc.
2. **April Pasty Making – April 20 & 21.**
3. **UMW Friendship Supper – May 19, 2015** – catering by Northland Market
4. **Relay For Life – Friday, August 21, 2015** – The Ely UMC Methodist Miler’s Team will be participating. Contact Jeanne Tomlinson, Lucy Diesslin or Margie Olson for more info or to sign-up.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM, and was closed with the unison reciting of *The Lord’s Prayer*.

Respectfully Submitted, Blaine “Butch” Diesslin, Ad Council Secretary