

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – MINUTES
Ely United Methodist Church

December 21, 2016
Number Present: 8

Vice Chairman Keith Rue called the meeting to order at 7:14 P.M.

Attendees: (8) Keith Rue, Margie Olson, Mark Olson, Butch Diesslin, Lucy Diesslin, Dana Thompson, Donna Rusco, Norman Rusco.

Pastor Dana Thompson began the meeting with an Opening Thought from “The Upper Room” devotional for December 21, 2016, followed by an opening prayer.

The **Minutes of the November 16, 2016 Administrative Council** meeting were approved as printed in the Newsletter. (M/Lucy/S/Norm)

The **Treasurer’s Report for November, 2016** was presented by Treasurer Mark Olson and accepted. The October end of the month account balances - General Fund: \$2,878.42 [Undesignated Funds \$2,463.42, Parish Health Ministries Funds: \$400; R-R-R Funds: \$15.00] Building Fund: \$12,278.80; Memorial Fund: \$11,179.61. (M/Lucy/S/Norm)

Board of Trustees: Next Meeting in April, 2017.

Memorial Committee: The newly purchased wireless omnidirectional microphone is installed and working very well.

Parish Health Ministries: Has discontinued scheduled blood pressure checks at Church for the winter months. Margie Olson will gladly schedule blood pressure checks for those talking to her at a Sunday worship service, rather than being called by phone.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **“Five Love Languages” Study Materials.** The instructor materials for the study have been received, reviewed. Upon the recommendation of the study session leader, those present approved the purchase of the study materials for the study sessions. (M/Lucy/S/Donna)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Jay Tomlinson had received very positive comments following the Pot Luck supper after decorating the Church for Christmas, plus requests/suggestions to schedule more in the coming year. Jay suggested that four (4) after-worship service “Pot Luck” meals be scheduled for 2017. Motion by Norm Rusco/Second by Margie: To schedule Church Pot-Luck meals on the First Sunday of February, May, August and November. Motion Approved.

CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items of correspondence.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION

1. Christmas Eve Worship Service, December 24, 7:00 P.M.
2. Sunday Worship Service, December 25, 10:00 A.M.

The meeting was closed at 7:48 PM by those attending reciting “***The Lords Prayer***”.

Respectfully Submitted,
Blaine “Butch” Diesslin
Administrative Council Secretary

Ely United Methodist Church
Minutes – Church Conference for 2017

December 21, 2016

The Church Conference was called to order by the Rev. Dana Thompson, Ordained Elder and Pastor of the Ely United Methodist Church, at 7:00 P.M. at the Ely United Methodist Church, Ely, MN.

Attendees from Ely United Methodist Church (8): Rev Dana Thompson, Blaine Diesslin, Lucy Diesslin, Mark Olson, Margie Olson, Keith Rue, Donna Rusco, Norman Rusco.

Pastor Thompson began the meeting with a short devotional of a Bible reading from 1st Corinthians Chapter 13, followed by prayer.

Pastoral Summary

- Pastor Thompson said that the State-of-the-Church is “Well”.
- The Ministry of the Church is Wonderful.
- The Church Membership remained stable.
- The Church is financially sound, however annual expenses will exceed income for 2016.

Church Action Items

Nominations & Personnel Committee Report

The Committee presented the Class of 2019 nominees for:

1. The Board of Trustees
2. The Pastor-Parish Relations Committee
3. The Nominations and Personnel Committee.

No additional nominations for the above were offered from the floor.

The Committee presented the 2017 full membership of:

1. The Board of Trustees
2. The Pastor-Parish Relations Committee
3. The Nominations and Personnel Committee.

Motion by Mark Olson: To approve those nominated, and to approve the full membership of each board and committee. Second by Lucy Diesslin. Motion approved.

The Committee also presented the nominees for the officers and work area chairpersons of the Church Administrative Council for 2017. No additional nominations were offered from the floor.

Moved by Margie Olson, Second by Lucy Diesslin to accept and approve the slates of nominees of the Nominations and Personnel Committee. Motion Approved.

Church Budget for 2017

The 2017 Church Budget was developed by the Finance Committee and approved by the Administrative Council at the November 16, 2016 meeting. Motion by Margie Olson Second by Keith Rue to approve the 2017 Budget, as presented. The Church Budget was Adopted Unanimously.

There were no other items requiring action by the Church Conference.

There being no further business, the Conference was adjourned by Pastor Thompson.

The Conference was closed with a prayer by Pastor Thompson at 7:11 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Blaine “Butch” Diesslin
Administrative Council Secretary