Manchaca United Methodist Church Church Council Meeting Aug. 22, 2019 - 7:00 PM Minutes

Presiding at the meeting: Rev. David McNitzky, Sr. Pastor & Rick Bowman, Church Council Chair

In Attendance at the meeting: 13

Gary Carpenter Dave Bourell Bill Konde
Rhonda Morris Kim Carroll Jennifer Bautista
Ron Hawkins Ken Kattner Debbie Dulski

Linda Hawkins

Not in Attendance at the meeting:

Ed Engleking Loretta Loyd Clint Wilson Tonia Norman Emmett Thomason Brice Custer

Bob Caudill

Visitors:

Marsha Patterson

Devotional and Opening Prayer: At 7:00 PM the Church Council of Manchaca United Methodist Church began with a short devotional and prayer by Rick. Debbie motioned to approve the meeting minutes (Ron seconded) from the last meeting. Minutes were approved verbally.

PPR Report: Debbie presented for the PPR. The committee has met with the Pastor and had a successful welcome luncheon.

Trustees Team Report: Rhonda gave the trustees report.

The Trustees met Church Interiors to discuss the cost and the scope of the renovations. The latest agreement includes flooring in the main corridor at no cost to us. FLC construction will begin on Monday Sept. 16. Classrooms and storage rooms do not need to be cleared but cannot be accessed. The kitchen can be used through the side door. The restrooms will not be finished before Christmas. Regular updates will be given during the Fall.

There have been multiple problems with the sanctuary AC. We are waiting for an estimate on the repairs. We made it clear we want it cool by Sunday. The courtyard AC also needed repairs and should have been under warranty as it is less than a year old. A new water heater was installed in the main hallway, after 20 years from the old one.

Finance Report: Dave presented the finance report. We adopted a revised budget at the last meeting. Income through July is within 1.4% of the new budget, expenses are within 2.2%. Year to date expenses exceed income by \$13K, about as expected.

Dave mentioned the savings account which is not a part of the budget which has 40-50 sub-accounts. Two such accounts were identified as unused. The Eco-faith initiative account (about \$4800), and a boy scout account with \$5. Dave suggested we check with Bill Palecek and Michelle Lunsford. Then if OK propose to transfer the accounts into the general fund.

Extravagant living will be the stewardship campaign theme this year. Dave will lead the campaign over a 4-week period, ending on Nov. 17. Dave would like to focus on all the ongoing church activities.

Purpose Team Report:

Jennifer presented Outreach. The pumpkin patch is coming on September 29, the same day as a combined service. She says it will work out fine.

Oct. 26 is the fall festival which is in full planning mode. The theme is 'Trunk or Treat' like last year.

Ron presented Missions. The back pack ministry is coming. Peredes middle school has a new principal. Hopefully we can be more active there.

Kim presented Christian Education. Fall Adult classes are planned with signups now available. A new Sunday school class is starting. Pastor David will lead, starting with Revelations. Sept 8 is move-up Sunday for the children's classes.

VBS had 210 participants and 95 volunteers! About 72% from outside the church.

Pastors Report: David talked about 3-point sermons and how things come in groups of 3. David has 3 areas of interest as he comes to our church; the health and vitality of our church, the community outside our church, and to make disciples. He summarized his focus for each area. David said his first few months here are also influenced by a book "Leadership Without Answers". There are known solutions and learned solutions to whatever issues arise. David mentioned the adaptive unknown nature of the future of the church.

Closing: The meeting was closed at 8:15pm with a prayer. The next council meeting is Oct. 24.