

Leadership Council Minutes October 15,2018

OPEN SESSION - Meeting opened at 5:00 pm in Executive Session

In Attendance: Kerm Leitner, Jeff Barnes, Jeff Boley, Roger Woods, Chris Benson, Debbie Goeltsch, Wayne Henderson, Pastor Jim VanZandt , Pastor Mira Hewett
Absent: Stephanie Peffer and Ron Chipriano

Public Attending: John Seaton, Ken Houser

Session began at 6:20 pm

A. Debbie Goeltsch had devotions and opening prayer. She had an interesting presentation regarding self-forgiveness.

B. Moments with the pastors

- a) Pastor Jim spoke about the upcoming Church Conference on 11/19/2018 at 7pm in the Sanctuary.
- b) Pastor Mira commended the congregation on their generous UMCORE offering to support victims of Hurricane Florence

C. Finance Reports

- a) Monthly Analysis of Giving was presented. Pastor Mira suggested that this report be posted in the DropBox.
- b) Following a motion by Wayne Henderson and a second by Roger Woods, the Leadership Council approved the usage of \$8200 from the Gladys Weiser Fund, which had been earmarked for pastoral care in 2018, toward the purchase and installation of a hearing impaired loop system at our new church.

D. Old Business

- a) A Way Forward
 - i. Update by Pastor Jim
 - ii. An implementation plan will probably take place in 2020.
 - iii. UMC Judicial Council is reviewing 60 plus petitions concerning "The Way Forward". Each plan has various decisions for a local church and local pastors.
 - iv. Following a motion by Roger Woods and a second by Christina Benson, the Leadership Council unanimously approved Pastor Jim's written plan on discussing topics of the UMC Commission on a Way Forward.
- b) Groundbreaking/Mid Capital Campaign Celebration
 - i. Debbie Goeltsch was commended for her excellent work on making these events excellent.
- c) Camps at SGC
 - i. Kerm continues to work with homeless people who drift on and off of the SGC.
 - ii. May need to develop a more formal process in the future.
- d) LC election
 - i. Stephanie has the election process ready to go. All needed posts and times are covered.
- e) Give Team Updates - to be discussed in the future

E. New Business

- a) Visioning the New Church - Following a motion by Kerm Leitner and a second by Jeff Barnes, the Leadership Council approved the formation of a Visioning Task Force to examine everything from the mission statement to the various ways that CUMC conducts its many ministries in preparation for our moving to the Spring Garden Campus in 2020.
- b) Prayers for the Work Site - Comments by Pastor Mira LC is signed up for 12/2 - 12/15
- c) Attracting More LC Candidates

Pastor Jim commented that he believes our church has a number of very able young leaders in the wings.

- d) Leadership Council Dinner – Friday, 11/16/2019 @ 6:00pm, Leitner Residence

F. Around The Table

- a) Pastor Jim - Again commented on a number of future leaders in the church.
- b) Wayne - Following a motion by Wayne Henderson and a second by Roger Woods, the Leadership Council unanimously approved suspending its monthly Shares of Ministry for November and December. Presently, CUMC has been paying toward its full shares on a monthly basis. The operating budget, as is its yearly trend, currently is \$52,000 in the red. Typically, tithes and offerings pick up in December. It is hoped that we will be able to pay the assessment in full by the end of the year. This was later amended to also include the October payment.
- c) Pastor Mira - New website goes on line 10/22/2018.
- d) Roger mentioned some volunteers to teach difficult classes.
- e) Kerm commented on the parking problems during Little Light Pickups and the Rummage sale.

G. Pastor Mira closed the meeting with a prayer.

H. Meeting adjourned at app 7:45pm.