

Park United Methodist Church
Church Council Minutes
March 19, 2020

Members Present: Abbey Neptune, Pastor Bethany, Pastor Luke, Scott Bachman, Roxi Grimsley, Carl Jacobi, Sandy Beyer, Kerry Beebe, Brock Reynolds , John Hurley, Chris Velasco

Members Absent:

Roxi brought the meeting to order 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Luke lead us in prayer.

Agenda: Stood as presented.

Retention Guidelines: Sandy brought to attention the need for retaining church documents, how long must they be kept and how do get them organized. There are many boxes of documents in the basement. Scott suggested forming a committee to work on this project. Scott, Abbey, Carl, John, Barb Boevers, and Karen Strobel. Scott to try to gather a few more helpers for the historical side of the review. Kerry reminded of the 2022 anniversary and asked that it be kept in mind as the documents were reviewed.

Pastor Report: Planning for future with Covid-19 restrictions, trying to include all members-kids, homebound etc. New forms of communication are being established. Main landing page on church website has added a tab-Church at Home which includes all video ministry. They are working on ways to include non-technical members into worship, planning for Good Friday/Easter, emails and text alerts are being used to inform members about video meeting times. Contacted small group leaders who will be staying in touch with their group members. Looking to send out hymnals to homes to be used for worship. Working on creating a Good Samaritan list-to help with needs of community such as pick up prescriptions, shovel snow, etc. Working getting giving envelopes to members via the mail. Also looking at other on-line giving options.

Carl suggesting offering a drop off option. Pastors and Cassie worked on getting an account with Google for Non-Profits. There are options for new website, email address and communication.

SPRC: Kerry provided an update regarding SPRC. Montessori is operating their daycare. Need to check with Montessori to see if they need any additional cleaning done to meet needs with Covid-19. Kerry touched base with Tom. He continues to come in for two hours a day. They talked about some projects to do like carpet cleaning. Trustees confirmed cleaning in the sanctuary, basement and possibly hallway. Pastor Bethany has been in contact with Anna she continues to reach out to members. Bethany will make check in to make sure she is ok.

Finance Report: The audit has been completed. Sandy provided a summary for the committee to review. One action item that came up is the need to obtain a list of signers for each checking account. Each checking account should have a minimum of two signers. Sandy will dig into requirements under Book of Discipline. Finance recap for the month-still on track for 2020. Future is unknown make things uneasy. The 2020 budget was reviewed with Brenda and Cassie. It is important to get meeting minutes timely to Cassie. This would be a good time to refinance the balloon payment on the New Light loan, with the lower interest rate. Sandy will reach out to the lender to find out who the signers are on the loan and what steps are for refinance.

Trustee Report: Trustees approved projects for Tom to complete-carpet cleaning, possible painting of north stairway

Member Care: How can we help members stay safe? Grocery shop for them, provide information regarding special store hours, delivery options, phone calls to check in. Council to keep brainstorming and will be touch with more plans.

7:50 Pastor Bethany closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Abbey Neptune, Recording Secretary