

Church Council Minutes
Monday, September 10, 2018

Attendees: Lynne Whelan (Chair), Bill Beals, Jeff Wallace, Megan Schwark, Jen Stuart, Mike McCloskey, John Mounsey

Agenda:

- **Introductions and Welcome**
- **Open with Prayer** – Lynne led the group in a centering prayer
- **Approval of Minutes** - The minutes from the August meeting were approved as eMailed

Old Business:

- **Rummage Sale** – Lynne reminded us of the Rummage Sale on Sept. 29
 - Set-up on the 28th
 - Sale from 8-2
 - Stuff can be brought in and stored in Room 5
 - Lynne will advertise in the newsletter
- **Charge Conference**
 - Different format this year
 - Will be held in Yakima
 - Saturday, November 17, 9-3
 - Lynne will coordinate carpool/caravan

New Business:

- **Committee Reports:**
 - Finance:
 - We are 69% through the year
 - Expenditures are about 69%
 - Income is about 71%
 - 66% of apportionments have been paid
 - Wesley
 - Gearing up to start the new year
 - Rock Painting Party tomorrow
 - Campus Ministry Directors dinner on Thursday
 - Tabling during college kick-off
 - Booth at Bite of the 'Burg
 - First Meeting Sept. 25, 6-5 in SURC 137A
 - Sabbath Hang-outs 11-3
 - CWU Wesley Board meeting 10/3
 - Pub Theology, 1st/3rd Wednesday, 6:00 @ Whipsaw
 - Trustees
 - Bids received on replacement garage for parsonage
 - Painting party Oct. 2-5 @ parsonage
 - Sidewalk replacement project moving forward nicely thanks to Andrew
 - Proposal from FISH to extend their lease through June, 2020. Church council suggested that Trustees:
 - Counter their offer
 - Request \$250 per month
 - Only through December, 2019
 - Ask Ariel and Katie to decrease and relocate FISH storage to east wall

- SPRC – Not able to meet last week, but issues include:
 - Need to decide on pastor salary for 2019 - this is the only thing we have to vote on at our Church Conference in November. Jen suggests we leave pastor's salary as it is, but add at least \$500 to the pastors reimbursable account. Living in the middle of the state is expensive to travel to different training events.
 - Jen was promised 5 years at this church and this is her last (promised) year. SPRC needs to discern if the congregation wishes for her to stay and if we should fight for that. That being said, we do what the Bishop and Cabinet decide. We know that there are a number of young folks who'd like to move here...
 - Ariel's schedule has changed for this quarter, but she had found a few members who will help keep hours the same. Ariel is definitely going to move into ordained ministry some day. She has gifts for organization, outreach/evangelism, and computer skills that we need.
 - We should give raises to the other staff members as applicable.
 - David will be moving off as chair in 2019. He has served us well these past 3 years, but our discipline requires that new leaders emerge every 3 years.
 - As Stell mentioned in church yesterday, we need to be raising up new leaders in all of our teams. If you know of others who could lead or be led to serve please let me know.
- Music
 - Megan shared her proposed budget for 2019
 - She hopes to bring Jake and his band in once per month
- Pastor's Report
 - Kudos for the great work fund-raising, friend-raising, and fun-raising at the Fair!
 - Bishop requests we begin small groups around the reading of the book *We Make the Road by Walking*, by Bryan McLaren
 - Now that we have children, we need to grow a children's ministry. Additionally, we need comments about our children to be positive as negative comments could drive them away.
 - Jen will be going to San Antonio twice in the next month. Once for a JFON Conference, and the other to the UMC *Do No Harm* conference.
 - She will also be participating in Multiplying Ministries Training over a 6 month period to help grow the Methodist Church.

Our next meeting will be Monday, October 15 (**NOTE: One week later than usual**).

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McCloskey
Secretary pro tem