

**The United Methodist Church of Evergreen
Church Council Meeting Minutes
April 7, 2019**

Attendance:

David Loomis – Church Council Chair
Deb Olenyik – Pastor/Chair of Nominations
Matt Sailor – Finance Chair
Andrew Zapotoczny – SPR Chair
Bill Graf – Missions Co-Chair
Ruthanne Huber – At Large
Terry ~~Vought~~ Vogt – Membership Chair
Penn Gildersleeve – Trustees Chair
Janice Vickery – Lay Care Representative
JoAnn Dunn – Worship Chair
Jan Thurling – At Large
Michael Eaton – Missions Co-Chair
Carolyn Hohne – Chair Church & Society

Dave Loomis called the meeting to order at 11:53

Opening Prayer was offered by Ruthanne.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

- Penn offered a change on Page 3 – last paragraph – correction of “police report” to “policy”.
Matt moved and Penn seconded to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Finance – Matt Sailor:

Matt indicated that we’re tracking a little negative due to increased snow removal and insurance payments. The trustees are planning a July 20 car show/flea market.

OPERATIONS REPORTS

Pastor’s report – Pastor Deb:

Deb reported that all areas of ministry have been strong. Deb thanked all for the participation in the Church Conference and the Leadership Training and Visioning session. Deb thanked SPRC and staff for Carol’s departure and reported how pleased she was with the transition to Alison.

Dave identified the challenge of having the church office closed on Friday and requested the procedure for contacting the office if necessary. Protocol is to use email for any issues that arise. Alison checks email routinely even when she’s not in the office.

Membership Changes – Pastor Deb:

New members will be joining the church on April 14. Some members have requested to be removed as members due to the conference decision.

Sunday attendance is a little down from this time last year.

Trustees Report – Penn Gildersleeve:

Penn referred to the report for content. He also mentioned that Pastor's church laptop needs to be replaced. There is also an issue with Alison's computer. No progress was made with installing security cameras and the issue was tabled.

Jan raised the concern about emergency response on Sundays. Dave asked Trustees to consider procedures for emergencies such as heart attack or unwelcome visitor/intruder. Penn and others said that the procedure is to call 911. Trustees will further consider this issue.

JoAnn thanked the trustees for cleaning out the closet.

Pastor Deb suggested that files be cleaned out this summer with a rep from trustees and finance and all items older than 7 years be purged.

Mountain Area Democrats meeting will take place on April 27th, as planned.

PROGRAM REPORTS

SPR – Andrew Zapotoczny:

Andrew reported that Alison has made a nice transition. Pem Dunn has been helpful in making this a smooth transition. Matt and the finance team found funds to give a 2% bonus to staff in lieu of a raise. The Committee will be working on Deb's self-assessment to be submitted to the district office. JoAnn shared that Pem said that Alison is doing a good job.

Membership – Terry ~~Vought~~Vogt:

They have been checking on members who haven't been in attendance for a while – developed a call list, since emails and cards didn't seem to work. Marcia sent an email to those whose photo is missing requesting photos.

Jan suggested adding cards to the attendance pads that would allow someone to ask for Pastor contact, etc.

Events :

- Wednesday, April 10th, noon, music performance followed by lunch.
- Sunday, April 28th – pancake breakfast between services. They are looking for help from 8am-9:15 and 9:15-10:30. Clothing for purchase for the Tennyson center will be available.
- Saturday, June 15th Evergreen Rodeo Parade – drive the van in the parade with members passing out sunscreen packets with church info on them.
- Sunday, July 23rd, Church at the Ranch at Glenn & Pat Stohls' home.

Nominations & Leadership Development – Pastor Deb: No action

Social Media Activity – Bill Graf: This team will become more active after 4/15.

Adult Learning & Fellowship – Pastor Deb

Deb reported that this is a newly formed group. She referred to the ideas shared in the report.

Youth & Children – Pastor Deb (for Sarah Sailor):

Deb referred to the report regarding the quality programs across the board.

Missions Team – Michael Eaton

Michael reported that the Mexican lunch was well attended. Nancy and Matt were thanked for the cooking. JoAnn reported that the next Family Promise weekend is covered with volunteers. Michael will work with Finance (Matt) to resolve items in the budget that aren't accurate.

Marlene Eggers has volunteered to be the liaison with the Mountain Resource Center.

ESP Shelter Program – will fall under Church & Society.

Michael will work with Matt to establish line items for communion offerings income/disbursements.

Bill Graf reminded attendees that the Echo Gala still has tickets available.

Today's communion offering was switched from Tennyson Center to the Guatemala mission trip.

Lay Care – Janice Vickery

Janice referred to her report. Arlene has suggested that the church form a grief support group.

Worship – JoAnn Dunn

JoAnn referred to her report and mentioned that preparations are underway for the Easter season. Penn volunteered his wife to coordinate the greeters for the 8:30 service.

United Methodist Men:

\$80 was collected at the April meeting.

Church & Society – Carolyn Hohne:

30 attendees at the Family Movie Night; One of the best turnouts ever. Several new families attended. Joy International – Upcoming presentation by Jeff Brodsky on April 27th. Adults from 9:30-11:30 and youth from noon-2pm. Barefoot Mile is scheduled by June 22.

Endowment Committee – Penn Gildersleeve:

Penn reported that this committee is reforming and looking at monies still in the system. Endowment Committee should be added to the Program Reports in the agenda. S. T. Womack will chair the Committee.

Deb closed with prayer.

Next Church Council meeting is Sunday, July 14th.