Caton United Methodist Church Council Meeting June 10, 2010

Attendees: Beth Bouwens, Don & Joan Haussener, Rev. Fred Kelsey, Jim & Myrna Hawbaker, Nancy Huber, Connie Powell and Kim Snyder

Beth opened with prayer

Minutes from the May meeting were read and approved after corrections were made. Don agreed to be the recording secretary.

Kim Snyder

Kim discussed supporting the Naylor family during their time of illness. Money will be collected on June 13, 20 and 27. Money will be put in the Pastor's Discretionary fund and Jim will then write the check. First check will be delivered to family by Kim and Rev. Kelsey. After discussion, it was approved by all.

Kim announced that she was appointed to serve the Addison UMC at quarter time starting on July 1, 2010 – she was congratulated by all in attendance.

UMW (Connie Powell)

UMW meeting at Renee's on Tuesday, June 15 at noon. All are welcome.

Pastor (Beth Bouwens)

Newsletter will be published for July and August. Deadline June 22, Finance will have first half figures on June 29. Newsletter will be available July 4.

Interim Pastor (Rev. Fred Kelsey)

Phasing out of pastoral responsibilities. Last service will be June 20. Discussed Beth's disability payment based on short-term disability would be much greater if it was long-term disability.

Witness (Nancy Huber)

Working on a document for family funeral planning. Once document is finalized, one will be given to the family and one kept with church.

Lay Leader (Myrna Hawbaker)

Still working on SOP will resend email. Will be attending Annual Conference on June 18 and 19.

Church Council Chair (Joan Haussener)

Talked with Billie Kellberg and she was in agreement to rename Massachusetts Trust to the Howard and Billie 'Ethelda' Kellberg Trust fund.

Brad Hinman spoke to Mort Gridley, Sr. and he was in agreement to rename Nationwide to Ernest and Doretha Gridley.

Finances (Don Haussener & Jim Hawbaker)

Income into the General Fund from January-May 2010 was \$42,909 which was \$2,500 higher than 2009 but expenses were higher.

Jim distributed P&L and Balance Sheet. Felt things were improving.

Discussion was held to purchase Time Warner Roadrunner and local phone. Joan had spoken to Time Warner and the cost \$69.95/month for phone and high speed internet service. This special is only until July 31 and for three years only. Local calls only – no long distance. Discussion was held and we found that the incremental cost over the current Verizon phone service is \$10-15/month. We had 6 yes, 1 no and 1 abstained. Joan will contact Time Warner and ask about cost of long distance. Local calls are defined for Caton, Corning, Elmira-Horseheads and Lindley.

Checked with Time Warner on 6/11/10 and installation will be \$100. An anonymous donor will pay hence no cost to church.

NEXT MEETING - Thursday, July 22, 2010 @7:00 PM