

Lost Creek United Methodist Church
Administrative Council Minutes
May 22, 2007

Those present: Kathleen Woods, Terri Moore, Linda Griffin, Max Rudd, Jerri Arthur, Ken and Linda Edmondson, Cindy Wilkey, Stu Preston, Aimee Barrett, and Nancy Hilley

Kathleen called the meeting to order and shared scripture found in Acts 1:8. She noted how the Good News spread when the believers were filled with the Holy Spirit. Kathleen then offered prayer.

The minutes of the April, 2007, meeting were reviewed. Linda G. moved to accept the minutes. Max seconded. Motion carried with one abstention.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL REPORTS

Business Administrator Report—Terri presented the Business Administrator Report. She noted that the \$11,000 building expense included architectural fees and the beginning of the physical work. Automatic withdrawal for contributions will be set up in June. Cindy moved to accept the report. Ken seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor Report—Max presented the Pastor Report and shared Ecclesiastes 2:17 as his scripture. He noted that sponsorships for children for the Belize camps are going well. Everyone on the Confirmation trip had a good time.

Trustees—Cindy presented the Trustees Report. She shared scripture from II Corinthians 9:8. She noted that Laura Wilhelm and Marlene Preston have been instrumental in obtaining and getting the playground functional. The Trustees are looking at synthetic barriers for the playground.

Cindy was asked about insurance for the construction workers. The contractor should supply insurance, but Cindy will check with Tommy for sure.

Merry Maids visited the building and submitted a bid of \$105 per week for cleaning. Cindy will get specific details on what the bid includes before contracting with the company. The service would be needed for a year or so. The Trustees have the authority to go ahead and contract for cleaning service on behalf of the church.

Concerns have been raised about the trash dumpster. There has been discussion about the possibility of getting a new, larger dumpster; getting a different trash collection service; constructing a different fence; and locking the dumpster area. The Trustees will check on and consider these concerns.

The carpets will be cleaned over the summer. The basement will leak until the issue is addressed outside in the construction area. Work on arrangements for the signs continues.

Children's Ministry—Aimee reported on happenings in the Children's Ministry. Champ Camp has been postponed until August 10-11. The older children will be moving on to Youth and will be making that transition in the coming months. Funday Sundays are scheduled for June 24 and August 5. Summer Children's Church will use curriculum from Group involving movie clips. Jerri noted that the Sunday school teachers need help and support in handling children these days. It was suggested to invite some experts in dealing with children with special needs and have teacher training. Max noted that the church also has several knowledgeable people in this area that could be resources to help train the teachers. It was felt that the teachers are willing, but they need the tools to be effective.

Strategic Planning Report—Jerri noted that work continues on the Strategic Plan, largely through emailing individuals about specific areas. Terri suggested putting the Purchase/Expense Form on the website for easy access. Blaine Wilkey has agreed to help upgrade the church website this summer.

NURTURE REPORTS

Sunday School Report—Linda presented the Sunday School Report and shared Romans 11:22 as her scripture. It was noted that on item #2, the Young Adult class will meet with Patsy's class so the children can move out of the basement. The Young Adults will have some social events over the summer to keep their group connected.

OUTREACH REPORTS

Men's Group Report—The Men's Group Report was reviewed. Ken noted that the next project for the group is feeding the people at Youth Force on June 26. He asked if Administrative Council could be moved in June to allow for that event. Council will be held on June 28.

There were no action items.

Stu moved to adjourn the meeting. Linda E. seconded. Prayer requests were shared. Kathleen closed the meeting with prayer.