

## Lake Mills United Methodist Church Council Minutes

August 25, 2011

**In attendance:** John Austin, Joyce Austin, Alice Hornickel, Dan Hornickel, Tom Jones, Beth Leverton, Bob Lewein, Rev. Bill McBride, Dana Ostrowski, Brad Rosecke, Sharon Schmid, Rachel Stark, Lisa Thomas, and Sandy Whisler

1. **Opening:** Pastor Bill opened the meeting with a video and talked about "My Favorite Dream for My Church". Members shared their dreams.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Library was added to the Nurture section
3. **Secretary's Report:** Rachel moved to approve. Dana seconded. Minutes were approved.
4. **Administrative Committee Reports**
  - a. **Treasurer:** Tom Jones reported that we have \$5,200 in the General Fund
  - b. **Finance:** Dan Hornickel presented the Budget vs. Actual year to date report. We are seeing a giving increase with our campaign. Working on more timely and accurate financial reporting.
  - c. **Trustees/Construction:**
    - i. The window replacement is complete.
    - ii. Construction of our new entry way has been delayed due to state permit requirements. Work is expected to begin in the next 2 weeks. Costs are expected to go up by approximately \$10,000 to meet state requirements. \$5,000 has been covered by giving. The rest should be covered by the building maintenance fund.
    - iii. In preparation for winter we are getting bids for snow removal.
  - d. **SPRC:** The Memorial Committee passed a motion to provide \$7,500 in start-up money to fund the program.
5. **Member Care Committee Reports**
  - a. **Sunshine:** Marilyn Deboom is undergoing cancer treatments.
6. **Nurture Committee Reports**
  - a. **Worship:** Fall schedule starts September 11<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. **Education:**
    - i. Sunday School begins on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Registration will take place the next 3 Sundays and also at the Ice Cream social on 9/10. The theme is "Walking and working together for the Future".
    - ii. 4 year olds through 4<sup>th</sup> grade will go through a 4 week rotational program
    - iii. The Middle School students (5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>) grade will be led by Rev McBride.
    - iv. High School Students (8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>) will be led by Stan Daly Bond and our new Youth Director.
    - v. Confirmation for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be held every other Wednesday starting in October.
  - c. **Stewardship - Generosity Team:** All members received their "cookie letter" earlier this month and people are responding. The program will run through October. A long term stewardship program will begin after that and will last several years.
  - d. **Youth Group:** The work camp trip was a huge success. A presentation and meal will be provided on September 25<sup>th</sup> following church.
  - e. **Library:** The Narthex Group cleaned out the library to make the space useable and vital again. A librarian was brought in to determine what books should be

kept and which should be donated or recycled. Help removing books for recycling or reselling would be appreciated.

## 7. Outreach Committee Reports

### a. Missions:

- i. The Community Meal last Wednesday served over 60 people. Our church is responsible for deserts at the next meal on 9/21. We will need to come up with 10 dozen cookies
- ii. We are getting good response from our soldier care packages. More cookies will be needed for these. Our next packages will go out at the end of September.
- iii. Ready Kids for School were held at the Fairgrounds. Over 500 children were served.
- iv. Coupons for the Military: Many are coming in. We need to make sure they have valid expiration dates.
- v. Loose Coin Offerings for September and October will go to UMCOR for hunger relief.

b. **Evangelism - Picnic Team:** An Ice Cream social will be held on Saturday night 9/10. Music will be provided by Mark Hoggatt & Eric Chesney. Sign-up sheets are out for people to donate ice cream and desserts. A family movie will be shown in the Sanctuary. Many plans are underway for publicity and many people are helping on the committee.

c. **UMW:** Beth Leverton reported. They held a "Scam Avoidance" presentation on August 9<sup>th</sup>. This past Sunday they visited Norma Larson in Illinois.

d. **Teddy Bear Preschool:** Lisa Thomas reported. Orientation is this Sunday from 6pm to 7pm. Classes start on the Tuesday after Labor Day (9/6). 25 students are enrolled. Our capacity is 32.

e. **Information Technology Systems:** Pastor Bill presented. We are waiting on an updated quote from Best Buy. Costs will come in under the approved amount of \$25,000 The target date for installation in the Hearth Room was 9/11. A new date will be set. Our hope is to have it installed by 9/25 for the Work Camp presentation.

## 8. New Business:

a. Youth Director job description and position:

i. Thoughts & questions:

1. This should be described as a salaried position.
2. The coordinator should come to monthly council meetings on behalf of the Youth Council.
3. Should consult with Kathy to see what will make this program a success.
4. Parent and congregation involvement is essential.
5. Should be more specific with job duties.
6. Need to have measureable goals and requirements
7. Should broadly post the position

ii. Brad Rosecke moved to "approve the youth coordinator position and begin to interview for the position as presented by the SPRC." Sharon Schmid seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

9. **Adjournment & Closing Prayer:** Pastor Bill led the group in a closing prayer

**Next meeting - September 15, 2011**