

DUMC Leadership Council Meeting
Thursday, April 25, 2019, 7:00 PM Minutes

Members present: Marilyn Pobanz, Jayne Worthy-Howlett, Charles Engle, Carl Johns, Patty Burns, Cathy Freeman, Rev. Hagley, Harold Tucker, Randy Hucks, Kenn Scheffer, Barbara Scheffer. **Additional church members attending:** Kathleen Hucks, Sue Engle. **Members absent:** Garren Little, Mary Turfe, Brent Howlett, Rev. Arnesen.

Opening Prayer & Approval of Minutes of March 28, 2019

BUSINESS:

1. **Resignation of Dennis Dallenbach as secretary:** Suggestion made to seek a new secretary vs. having one of the Council members take on the task. Barb agreed to take the minutes for this meeting.
2. **Way Forward issues:**
 - a. *Feedback on any reactions to the recent posting and publications of the DUMC Inclusion statement*
 - b. *Next steps?* Due to busy schedule & preparing for transition no plans for pastor lead educational sessions.
3. **Request from the Montessori School to use the building for classes:**
 - a. Lengthy discussion of the pros and cons. At the present time there are more cons than pros. Many concerns about the practicality of this particular request considering the extensive needs of that group.
 - b. Due to the incompleteness of the School's latest proposal and the need for a significant amount of additional information, a **decision was approved for Kenn to work with Kathleen to send our feedback.**
 - c. Idea of having a community pre-school at the church was acceptable. This is an area to explore especially as it fits with goals to increase outreach to the community. This fits well with some of the VCI prescriptions/recommendations.
4. **Status of transition Planning:**
 - a. Going away activities for Rev. Arnesen are underway. SPRC continues to coordinate this. Brent prepared a spreadsheet with tasks needed. He will present to congregation on Sunday.
 - b. Coming activities for Rev. Garza also underway. Patty Burns working on this.
 - c. Trustees and SPRC working to get Parsonage ready. Unable to get do most of work until end of May.
 - i. Move-in date for Rev. Garza, June 18, 2019.
 - ii. Barb will assess window treatment needs.
 - iii. Kenn & Carl are identifying a contractor for carpet removal & preparing the underlying flooring.
 - iv. Brent has created a spreadsheet to help organize activities and will present requests on Sunday.
 - d. Work (wall repairs, carpet cleaning, painting (?)) needs to be done in the pastor's office as well.
 - e. Pastoral coverage for 6/23 (Harold Tucker), 6/30 (Guest pastor) and 7/7 (Rev. Hagley).
5. **Trustees Report:**
 - a. New Monitor has been mounted in the Sanctuary with positive feedback from congregation.
 - b. Contractor hired to do exterior trim painting on sanctuary and hopefully filling holes that are allowing access to critters. Contractor is not doing the steeple so additional help needed for that.
 - c. Kenn working with David King to coordinate needs for Botsford Cemetery care.
 - d. Someone needs to take over water testing job, as Tom Knutilla has left the Trustees & the congregation.
6. **VCI Update:** First meeting of the new Hospitality Team will occur soon.
7. **Feedback on Holy Week activities:**
 - a. Very positive feedback on the Ash Wednesday service. Thank you to Harold.
 - b. Maundy Thursday potluck had about 30 participants. Would like to make it more intergenerational.
 - c. Some comments of disappointment that there was no Good Friday service.
 - d. Indoor Easter Egg event very successful using the Sunday school rooms on second level, Fellowship Hall for games & the DUMW Bake sale.
 - e. DUMW bake sale based on just donations was very successful with double the income of last year.
8. **Agenda items for May 23, meeting, 7:00 in Parlor:**
 - a. Transition planning updates
 - b. Feedback from Montessori School's architect and engineer.
 - c. What DUMC is to do next regarding recent UMC Judicial Council's ruling.
 - d. Agenda for June 27th meeting.
9. **Closing reading/prayer- Rev. Mary Hagley...**Meeting adjourned.