



MINUTES OF GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH GOVERNING COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: Monday, May 21, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. at Grace UMC in Fellowship Hall

Attendance: Carolyn Scheible, April Shaffer, Robin Orchard, Sonya Durrwachter, Dennis DeReese, Mick Machen, Judy Macek, Chad Burkhart, Geno Sharp, Kelly Whatley, Nick Cecava, Associate Pastor Rebekah Rochte, and Pastor Jason Fry

1. Devotional/prayer (Prayer Walk the Building)
 - a. Pastor Jason provided a presentation and led a devotional on “Breakthrough Prayer”
 - b. Each person spent approximately 10-15 minutes to “prayer walk” the church buildings
2. Minutes were reviewed from February 3rd and April 29th (called) meetings and approved.
3. Update on Teen Parent Daycare Proposal and Timeline
 - a. Jason and Rebekah provided a brief update on the timeline of the non-profit group and shared a draft agreement with the council. This project is still in development.
4. Update on Prayer Ministry development
 - a. Jason discussed that an update would be available at the August Council meeting
5. Consent Agenda Items
 - a. Budget report – Jason reviewed the budget report
 - b. Trustee/Building/Property reports
 - i. Chad Burkhart provided an update on Trustee items including repairs to the parsonage and upcoming repair work needed to replace the AC coils at Grace UMC
6. Executive Session: Staff Update
 - a. Jason provided a staff update
7. Finalization/Approval of Grace UMC’s Guiding Principles, including Mission & Vision
 - a. The Governing Council reviewed the final draft of the Grace UMC Guiding Principles presented at the Feb. 3rd meeting. Minor edits were discussed for inclusion into the document.

- b. The Grace UMC Personnel Policies are still under development and will be presented for approval at the August 11th Council meeting.
 - c. Geno made a motion of approval of the Guiding principles. Robin seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
8. Finalization/Approval of 2018 Goals
 - a. Rebekah provided the final goals to the Council. The Council discussed increasing the % of worshippers engaged in small groups, hands-on ministry, and mission/outreach by 5%.
 - b. Carolyn made a motion of approval of the 2018 Goals. Judy seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
9. Discussion of possible Congregational Survey to be completed before August Governing Council meeting
 - a. Rebekah provided a draft survey to be provided to the congregation. Sonya suggested that a computer be made available to assist church members in taking the survey at Grace UMC.
 - b. Rebekah will send an email to the Council with the final details and schedule.
10. Other Business
 - a. Brian Genz offered his resignation from the Council and Jason will be looking to fill his position in the coming months.
 - b. Rebekah presented a cost proposal and options for installation of a toddler playground adjacent to the existing playground. The Council reviewed the proposal and asked questions. Sonya made a motion authorizing Jason and Rebekah to move forward with the proposal for purchase and installation of the toddler playground. Geno seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
 - c. Jason will speak to Judy Clifford and Cathy Chaloupka about the current accounting processes at Grace. A future financial audit of Grace UMC is being considered. Jason will provide an update at the August Council meeting and obtain quotes from accounting firms.
 - d. There will be future discussion of a Mission Field Opportunity at the next meeting.
 - e. Next Meeting – Saturday, August 11, 2018 at 8:30am – noon (Location TBD)
11. Jason offered a closing prayer
12. Meeting adjourned at 8:23pm