

*First United Methodist Church-Deming, NM
Administrative Council Meeting Minutes
September 08, 2009*

Call To Order- Chairperson Vicki Hofacket called the meeting to order at 5:37pm. There were ten members in attendance. Rev. Keath Baskett gave the opening prayer.

Minutes of Last Meeting- The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Don Cameron moved to accept them. The motion was seconded by Wendell Hutchison and carried.

Reports

Finance – It was reported our disbursements are below our receipts.

UMM – The BBQ went well. Approximately \$6500 to \$7,000 was collected and about 1200 were served. Labor Day Camp Out went well. Music was good and the preaching great. No injuries and bathrooms were kept clean.

Old Business

Discussion for the open house for the month of September was pushed back to October. Vicki would like to have ideas presented at the next meeting on Oct. 13.

Monday night music at Kingdom Of The Sun has not been set up. They do not have a schedule in place; Barbara Hutchison will contact Sara Williams.

A tentative date of October 10 is proposed for the Autumn Carnival. Times will be 4pm-6pm or 5pm-7pm. Sarah Williams will coordinate with Sue Holdridge for the Youth who will be helping.

New Business

Shared Ministries - Rev. Keath Baskett reported that the amount to approve for our 2010 Shared Ministries is \$49,579. The motion to accept the 2010 amount of \$49,579 was made by Wendell Hutchison, seconded by Don Cameron and carried.

It was noted that our checkbook balance at the end of August was approximately \$9,000. It was also noted that the church is still paying back funds borrowed from the Reinhardt Fund for re-stuccoing the Mac Building and to purchase the Riso machine. These payments were suspended last year. Finance is paying back the stucco loan first and will then work on re-paying the Riso machine loan.

Duke Deitz will be asked if he has any information from when Sharon Galbraith kept the Trustees treasurer reports about the expiration date of 2014 for unrestricted use of the Reinhardt Fund, and any penalty that we might incur if we don't pay back to that fund in a timely manner.

The Finance and Trustee committee will consider making a lump sum payment to the shared ministries from the balance in the checking account. This will be tabled until both committees have their next meeting.

Autumn Carnival – It was suggested that we should include things to send to the Palomas Orphanage so they can have one too. Tom Bates and Rick Holdridge should be contacted so we can have a wish list for them. This would be a great opportunity for *Teach Your children to Give!* This might be a good theme title for Church posters, lists etc.

Staff Reports

Music - Sarah Williams reported that Soul and Crafty Kids will start September 15th and September 17th. Sunday, September 13th, Lee Dolman, United Methodist Pastor from Albuquerque, will be our visiting pastor. There will be a concert at 4pm.

Secretarial - Claire Phillips-Orate encouraged all to be in prayer for the Lay Leadership committee which will begin its work soon.

Pastor – Keath Baskett requested prayers for raising up the leadership in the church. He reported our Church Conference is scheduled for Sunday October 25th, at noon. Steve McElroy will be in attendance. The agenda, attached, includes Vision of Ministry questions for the leadership and congregation.

Church Conference reports were distributed to committee chairs. These reports should be returned to the office by October 8th, so they will be ready for the next Ad Council meeting on October 13th at 5:30pm. Ad Council members were asked to complete the questions on the “Report of the Administrative Board/Council” form and bring it with them to next month’s meeting so that input can be compiled for the church conference.

Elmer Veeder has proposed that we open up the Mac Building to youth after high school Football/Volleyball games. Drinks and snacks would be served. He would like to start this up and would present a final plan to the Ad Council when research is done. Don Cameron moved to support Elmer in this project. The motion was seconded by Wendell Hutchison and carried.

The Finance Committee meeting is set for October 6th. 5:30pm. The next Ad Council meeting will be on October 13th, at 5:30pm

An ending prayer was given by Wendell Hutchison. He then moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Sarah Williams and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Adams
Recording Secretary