

Christ Church United Methodist Administrative Council Meeting

MINUTES

JANUARY 22, 2007

7:00 PM

CLOISTER ROOM

FACILITATOR	Rick Ashton
NOTE TAKER	Kim Keller

Agenda topics

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS, OPENING
MUSIC AND OPENING PRAYER

RICK ASHTON, SHELBY SPURGEON, DAN
STOKES AND NANCY SPEAS HILL

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rick Ashton welcomed the group. • Shelby Spurgeon played flute, accompanied by Dan Stokes. • Nancy Hill led the group in prayer. • Attendees introduced themselves to the group.
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RICK ASHTON

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes of the prior meeting were approved.
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MINISTRY COUNCIL REPORT -
COMMUNICATIONS

KATHY KEADLE

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The communications committee has been working on new branding, look and logo for all CCUM communications. • The new logo, designed by church member Scott Troutman, was presented to the group. • The logo, if approved, will be launched around March, and will be integrated as existing supplies are exhausted.
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YOUTH REPORT

ERICA VANCE

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High School Choir recently had a retreat at Cavanaugh. • 2/14 will be the youth fundraising dinner. • Youth is already preparing for the summer choir tour to Harrisburg, PA.
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PASTOR'S REPORT

DR. GEORGE STRUNK

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2006 Membership Statistics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1,225 average Sunday workshop attendance ○ 3,046 members (1,736 females and 1,310 males), including 5 Asians and 14 African Americans ○ It is not unusual for membership statistics to be flat during a building phase • \$66,000 more in pledges have been made in 2006 over 2005 • Half-way through the building campaign, \$5.5 million of the \$10.2 million has been received. • Dr. Strunk passed out a draft of the Worship Survey that congregants will be asked to complete Sunday, January 28.
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FINANCIAL REPORT

MARK JACKSON

DISCUSSION	<p>2006 Budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total income received for the year was \$2.7 million, under budget by about \$127,000. • Total loss for the year was \$50,000. • The 2006 budget had a “leap of faith” of about \$157,000. <p>2007 Budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2007 budget calls for expenditures of \$3,032,374, a \$215,000, or 7.6% increase over 2006. • The increase includes money allocated to new staff positions, increase in apportionments, and increase from departments. • Approximately \$2.6 million is income is accounted for. The Finance Committee is expecting to hear from about 110 additional pledgers, and estimate about \$180,000 in pledges from this group. • The Finance Committee unanimously approved the 2007 budget, and recommends the Administrative Council approve the budget. <p>2007 budget approved.</p>
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STAFF PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

COLLEEN ENDRES

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SPRC has reviewed current staff responsibilities and future needs. • Administrative responsibilities have been shifted so that each pastor has a “go to” person to assist with administrative needs. • Two new positions need to be filled: a full-time receptionist, who will also assist with administrative needs and coordination of the church calendar, when the new building is completed; and a full-time Director of Communications, who will have responsibility for <i>Reflections</i>, church-wide communication, and will work with our Communications Team. Janet Hundley, who has been a full-time staff person working in this area has requested to work part-time, and this change in her salary will help fund the new position. • Rev. Cherie Parker and Nancy Speas Hill will move to full-time positions in July 2007. Rev. Parker will add the Stephen Ministry and supervision of Nancy Speas Hill to her duties at that time. Nancy will expand her role of lay leadership development to involve, train and support more CCUM ministers in active ministry. • Detailed job descriptions for any staff position are available. • The SPRC asks for continued prayers that the committee is sensitive to the needs of our staff and congregation and to the places the Lord is leading us.
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BUILDING UPDATE

LEIGH RAY

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leigh reviewed Sunday School room and staff office assignments in the new building. The assignments will be evaluated after a year. • Building is expected to be ready April-May 2007. • 2/4 there will be a “Mid-point Celebration” celebrating that we are half-way through our construction project. Congregation will be invited to the narthex of the new sanctuary to sign the floors and steel beams.
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TRUSTEES REPORT

BARBIE DICKENS

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The trustees have voted to further appeal the easement for the 36 parking places. • Move in to new building is planned for April-May. Demolition of old part will begin then, with the sanctuary construction starting in June. • The trustees will determine the distribution of salvaged fixtures from areas to be demolished by March. • The house we own on Indian Ridge is back on the market to be sold.
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STEWARDSHIP REPORT

KEITH SPAYD

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2007 pledges are up over 2006. • 225 have increased their pledges an average of 25% • There are 110 who pledged last year who we haven't heard from yet. The Stewardship Committee will follow-up with those people. • 3/17 leader training for year-round stewardship education, using Crown Financial Ministries (www.crown.org)
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OLD BUSINESS

RICK ASHTON

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminder that if you haven't read and signed the Volunteer Leader Covenant, they are available. Please return to Nancy Hill.
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NEW BUSINESS

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A motion was made and seconded to approve the new CCUM logo. Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wade Watkins expressed concern about not using the United Methodist cross and flame logo. Kathy Keadle indicated that the United Methodist logo will be on all printed communications. The cross and flame logo will be used with a statement that CCUM is a proud member of the United Methodist Church. ○ A suggestion was made that the church's web site and address be included on the letterhead. <p>The new CCUM logo was approved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neil Kuvin will be leading a committee over the next few weeks to review the Strategic Plan and identify areas of focus for 2007. They will make recommendations to the Administrative Council in March. Let Rick Ashton know if you are interested in participating. • Rev. John Hill is working with a team to look at our mission statement to determine if it reflects who we are and what we are about. The committee will report to the Administrative Council in March.
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CONCERNS, PRAISES AND CLOSING PRAYER

DAN BURGESS

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barbie Dickens asked for prayers for couples in her Sunday School class who are having marital problems. • Pray for Tony Bryant whose mother died January 22. • Pray for Roy Bryant who had hip replacement surgery. • Pray for the Belize and Uganda mission teams. • Praise for part-time job offer for Colleen Endres. • Dan Burgess closed the meeting in prayer. • Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM • Next Meeting will be March 19, 2007
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Respectfully submitted,

Kim Keller
Recording Secretary