

Christ Church United Methodist Administrative Council Meeting

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 18, 2006 7:00 PM

CLOISTER ROOM

FACILITATOR	Rick Ashton
NOTE TAKER	Kim Keller

Agenda topics

WELCOME, OPENING MUSIC AND OPENING PRAYER

RICK ASHTON, ARIA WATKINS, DAN STOKES AND REV. REBECCA HEID

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rick Ashton welcomed the group. • Aria Watkins sang a solo, accompanied by Dan Stokes. • Rev. Heid led the group in prayer.
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RICK ASHTON

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes of the prior meeting were approved without correction.
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SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES

REEVES HITCH

DISCUSSION	<p>57 people recently attended the monthly meeting. Recent activities included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trip to the Newport Aquarium with 32 attendees • Trip to see <i>My Fair Lady</i> at Actor's Theater with 30 attendees <p>Upcoming activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ghost Story Tour or an Antiquing outing • Dr. Alice Cash will be the October speaker • Establishing an Advisory Board
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STEWARDSHIP

KEITH SPAYD

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The goal of the stewardship committee is to support year-round Stewardship education. • Congregants are reading and passing along <u>Fields of Gold</u> • November 11 – November 12 is commitment weekend.
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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

AMY ASHTON

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team Kids in Discipleship is in full swing – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It is worship for kids kindergarten through 3rd grade held in the youth suite, with a similar format to the adult service. ○ Kids do jobs in the service, like song leader, prayer leader, etc. ○ Adina Cook (Children's Minister) is doing wonderful bible stories, and TKD helps the children connect to Adina. • Kids are collecting money for Christ Church Cares Day by doing "extra" acts of service. • The children's ministry has great Sunday School teachers this year – we have received commitment from 2 teams of teachers for each class.
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OUTREACH AND JUSTICE

JOY MONSMA AND REV. BONNIE
MACDONALD

DISCUSSION	<p>Outreach</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St. MAM Ministries – The Tortoise and the Hare 5k fundraiser is 9/30/06 at 9:00 AM. Information is available on the bulletin board by the offices. • St. MAM Ministries – Baskets are around the church to help stock the St. MAM food pantry. Encourage your groups to contribute by October 22. • St. MAM Ministries – The major fundraiser for the year, the Pulling Together Auction, is on November 14. <p>Social Justice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are trying to understand what social justice means, and what does it mean for CCUM? • We will partner with Larry Stoess at Portland Mission on November 8 from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Larry will provide training on how to put social justice into action. Contact Bonnie if you need childcare. • A small group will focus on how we learn to talk about things that may be controversial or hard to talk about – things we may argue about. • Will try to equip the congregation on how to think reflectively and seriously about societal issues, learn how to share, and learn to hear from people who may hold different opinions. • There will be a series of Sunday night programs focusing on social justice. In October the discussion will be The Nature of Politics – what does it mean to be a responsible Christian as we elect leaders.
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PASTOR'S REPORT

DR. GEORGE STRUNK

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff recently worked with a consultant on team building. • Homecoming – Charlie Smith and Cindy Burgess have worked hard to make this a great event on Sunday, September 24 • The bishop is having a town hall meeting for the Louisville District on September 26 at 6:45. Please attend if you are interested. • Dan Phelps, a student at the Presbyterian Seminary has joined CCUM as a student intern. He will be looking at ways for us to invest in the larger church. • George praised the staff for the work they do individually and as a team. • George provided a review of attendance since the Sunday morning worship schedule was changed. Results are inconclusive. For Sundays June – September, about half of the Sundays had higher attendance than the same Sunday last year, about half had lower attendance. Overall, about 200 more people attended for the period in 2006 than 2005. Sunday School attendance is up slightly over 2005. The Saturday service is still up and down, with attendance ranging from 30-60 people.
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STAFF PARISH RELATIONS

COLLEEN ENDRES

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Todd Rogers has been hired as the Assistant Children's Minister to start October 2. His wife is Jean Marie Bondurant. • SPRC is working to complete the update of the employee handbook. • Supervisors are receiving training on how to do effective employee reviews. • SPRC will meet soon to discuss salary increases.
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TRUSTEES REPORT

BARBIE DICKENS

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shuttle Bus Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Both shuttle buses are now in service. ○ 19 drivers have signed up for the small buses. We have 2 drivers with a Commercial Driver's License and 9 who have committed to getting the CDL. ○ We have a contract with a JCPS bus driver to drive the large shuttle on Sunday mornings. ○ The Children's Ministry has used the smaller shuttle for an outing. ○ Running the shuttles is cheaper than the contract we had previously for Sunday morning parking shuttles • Trustees will be developing a process for distributing some fixtures in the chapel – a number of requests have been received.
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FINANCIAL REPORT

MARK JACKSON

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Line of credit will be paid off when house is sold. Any overage will go to the building fund. • We are 12.5% behind on contributed revenue to date – this is the same as last year. • We have under-spent by 6.6% compared to budget. • Building Fund Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We are in the 15th month of the campaign and 37.4% of revenue has been received. ○ The \$200K commitment to Portland has been paid. ○ \$93K in interest income has been made to date on the fund. • Next ad council meeting will have a preliminary 2007 budget to review.
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OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

DISCUSSION	None.
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CONCERNS, PRAISES AND CLOSING PRAYER

DAN BURGESS

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Praise that Jim Burgess is home and recovering well. • Pray for Celeste who will be induced at Baptist East on Wednesday. • Pray for Jim Sweeks who had 5 by-passes and a heart valve replaced today. • Praise for good report on Melissa Mansfield • Praise for CCUM staff – both volunteer and paid. • Praise for Explorers Sunday School Class who had 9 new people come during their open house. • Pray for Cindy Potts father who is ill • Pray for Michael Bolden who will be having surgery at Jewish Hospital • Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM • Next Meeting will be November 20, 2006
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