

First United Methodist Church of Cocoa  
Church Council Minutes  
June 12, 2006

Members Present: Pastor Dave, Arnie Smith, Marianne Wright, Helen Damron, Wanless Damron, Elsie Both, Larry Booth, Sara Fellows, C.H. Hibbard, Lang Houston, Sandra Patrick, Thurston McLeran, Frank Pound, Richard Harris, Diane Norton, Lou Kotopka, Jackie DeMelenaere, Margaret Russell, Carl Russell.

Arnie called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Larry Booth opened the meeting with a prayer

The minutes of the May 2006 meeting were approved.

Committee reports:

**Treasurer Report** – Thurston reported we paid \$3,000 so far on apportionments. The insurance has been paid in full. We are \$7,200 ahead in giving from last year. The food pantry owes \$718.14 to the designated funds. **In the future, no purchases will occur without PRIOR approval.**

**Finance Report** –Lang reported Carl will spend \$400 to replace the projector light bulb in the Sanctuary.

**Trustee Report** – Richard reported the Trustees have no knowledge of pending work on Hughlett Hall. Inquiries will be made. Use of the church parlor will be maintained by the church office. June 17 will be a church workday. The sewer lines from the bathroom outside Hughlett Hall are backed up. The cost to repair is \$2470. Work was completed on June 12. Two members of the Trustees resigned. Replacements are being sought.

**Worship Committee** – No report.

**United Methodist Women (UMW)** –Marianne reported a piece of plexi glass has been placed on the table in the church parlor. In June public school teachers who attend FUMC will be honored.

**United Methodist Men (UMM)** –C.H. reported the next UMM breakfast will also be a church work day Oct 21-23 will be the men's retreat to Leesburg. The men's calling list is being revised..

**Staff Parish Relations Committee** – No report.

**Communications Report** – No report.

**Mission/Service Team:** Jackie reported she is looking for people to join her team. A Spaghetti dinner for Dave's pantry is being planned. A silent auction is planned for August 26. Proceeds will go to Dave's Pantry and our sister church in Cuba.

**Youth and Praise Service Report** - Aaron submitted a written report as he is on a mission trip with the youth. He reported he proposes to change the time of the Praise Service to 9:45. Larry Booth made a motion to grant tentative approval for this with the understanding that Aaron will present more details at the July 17 church council meeting

**Children's Program** –Jenny had no report as she was at camp with the youth..

**Mission Support Team** – No report.

**Parish Nurse Report** – Marilyn submitted a written report. She is on leave until September. She submitted a Disaster Response document for hurricane season..

**Pastor's Report** –. Pastor Dave said he believes the benefit of the BCC lab school is not commensurate with the cost to the Church. Pastor Dave made a motion to give BCC lab school an answer about the use of the facilities in the fall. Sandra Patrick made a motion to “not vote” on the motion, with the understanding that this would leave the BCC lab school in place at the Church. Sandra’s motion passed.

**Old Business** –. Lou Kotopka questioned the monthly mailings of the collection envelopes. Sandra Patrick said people use the envelopes more when they are received on a monthly basis. She also said the church can put notes in the envelope package.

A motion was made and approved to offer the Alpha course in September. Bill Franklin and Pastor Dave will teach the course.

**New Business** –Frank Pound received a telephone call from Richard Harris. The church had received a summons regarding a 1955 donation of a lot on 520. Frank recommended a quick claim deed from the church to the owners. Frank made a motion to approve the quick claim deed and to give Richard Harris authority to sign for the church. The motion was approved.

The meeting was closed with a prayer at 8:37 pm

Respectfully Submitted Diane Norton