

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church
Church Council Minutes
January 17, 2017

Our purpose is to make and sustain spiritually healthy followers of Jesus Christ who live in ways that transform the world.

Members present: Bryant Aldridge, Leigh Anne Bassinger, Michael Byles, Suzie Farabow, Laura Gibson, Susan Hedrick, Jim Holcomb, Scott Howell, Audrey Miller, Mark Morgan, Meredith Morgan, Tom Smothers, Carolyn Steed, Pete Thompson and Al Ward
Visitors (2017 Council Members): Lucille Duncan, Karen Gooding, Laney Morris.
Staff present: Erin Beall, Anne Carroll, Debbie Foust, Steven Nelson, Jared Stine and Susan Sumpter

Pete Thomson called the meeting to order. Meredith opened with prayer. The December minutes were approved.

Finance: Scott explained our 2016-operating budget ended with a \$98,966.81 surplus. He noted that 2016 pledges were paid at 100%.

Action Item: Recommendation of 2017 Budget. Scott noted that the 2017 budget increased by less than 2% over the 2016 budget and that the 2017 anticipated revenue was about \$27 greater than the anticipated expenditures. Action passed.

Action Item: Approval of the following financial institutions to be used in 2017

BB&T

Wells Fargo

Bank of North Carolina

Action passed.

Leadership Development and Nominations Team:

Action Item:

Presented the following nominations:

Member of the Congregational Care Team (2018): Bobbie Rasmussen

Member of the Parsonage Team: Henry McMullan

Member of the Senior Adult Council (2018): Jane Duncan

Member of the Senior Adult Council (2019): Joe Gamble

Member of the Worship Team (2019): Harvey Lowd

Chair of the Adult Spiritual Formation Team: Laney Morris

Chair of the Worship Team: Harvey Lowd

Action passed.

Chairs serve for 1-year term and may succeed themselves for 2 additional terms. Both these nominees will be in their first term. The following positions are still vacant: Member of the Traditional Music Team (2019) and Chair of Victoria Qubein Fund team.

Meredith encouraged the council and staff to spend time studying the strategic plan before Sunday's meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Gibson

Recording Secretary