

Consistory Meeting Minutes - May 15, 2008

**I. Call To Order - Roll Call:** Meeting was opened by Connie Miller, President at 6:52 P.M. Prayer and candle lighting was offered by Lynn Stewart. Those attending were Connie Miller, Pastor Penny Dollar, Janice Broyan, Ron Rinehimer, Lynne Stewart, Chris Dietrich, Nelson Horwath, Jim Rinehimer, Don Myers, and Hilbert Eigenbrod. Absent - Barry Myers

**II. Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the April 17<sup>th</sup> meeting were given to members for review after church on May 11, 2008 to read and review to accept and approve at tonight's meeting. Motion to accept made by N. Horwath and seconded by D. Myers. Motion carried.

**III. Treasurer's Report:** Handouts were given for review for report ending on April 30, 2008. Everything looks okay on report with exception of a question about the allocation on an expense for the Bethany fund. Will find out more information for future expenses. Motion to accept treasurer's report made by N. Horwath and seconded by R. Rinehimer. Motion carried.

**IV. Old Business:**

1. Committees: Connie has contacted all the people on the committee sheet and all have agreed to serve. Since April meeting, there has been an addition of the following committees: *Worship; Promotions; and Membership Committee*. The *Worship Committee* will work with Pastor Penny. Eugene Good has also been added to this committee. *Promotions Committee* will work on the website and pamphlets along with any other ideas to help promote the church. So far, Camille Daniels & Chris Dietrich are on this committee. *Membership Committee* so far consists of Connie Miller & Janice Broyan. Need some more volunteers. Discussed some possible names. More details to follow. There will be a meeting on Wed. June 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. to kick off the new committees. All committees will meet together and this will help Pastor Penny get to know who is on each committee. Complete list will be in narthex.
2. VBS: Plans are underway. Will be week of 6-22 to 6-26. More announcements will be made.
3. Sprucing Up Outside: Ron said that he has received free mulch to spread around the front of the church. Will be doing this soon. Jim has already pulled and cleaned up daffodil areas as well as planted 40 geraniums around the front of the church and in front of flag pole in church yard. Marc Davis has pulled the dead bushes near side of building. Lines have been painted by Leo Caffrey. Looks great!! Will be sending thank you card to Leo.
4. Building Fund CD: Has been rolled over at a rate of **2.47%** for 8 months. Next maturation date is 12-18-08. Decision was made at April meeting about rolling over CD.
5. Fellowship Hall Repairs & Painting: Has been done. THANK YOU TO ALL who helped with painting and repairs to the walls. Looks great! Bathroom was also painted. Kitchen will be painted after supper.
6. Pastor's Computer: Pastor received her laptop and it is in use. Cost - \$1,077.00 (on church credit card) - taken out of building fund as a building expense. This laptop has been configured to make the phone line accessible at the same time as in use. Pastor Penny has asked for a USB cord. Ron will get one for her.
7. Audit: Connie checked with Frank about the status of the audit. Almost finished.
8. Pastor's Cleaning Offer: The consistory is offering to pay for a cleaning lady to help clean for a day as a gift of welcome to Pastor Penny. Not ready for her yet. Pastor Penny appreciates offer.

**V. New Business:**

1. Advertising Board: A suggestion was made by the Sunday School about possibility of a message board to be placed outside when having dinners, yard sales, etc. Sam's Club has lighted ones for about \$350.00. Discussion about what to do. Would like to instead replace main bulletin board out front and possibly getting one similar to one at St. John's Church. They have one where you can also place advertisements.

Will discuss more at next meeting.

2. Committee Meetings: All committee meeting on June 11 at 6:30 P.M. Would like everyone on the list to attend, congregate and then split up to launch their programs.

3. Summer Programs: Would like to do a few activities this summer to keep congregation involved. Instead of having picnic at BerVaughn Park this year (poor attendance last year - only 6 attended), would like to have the picnic back at Emmanuel this year. Picnic will be on Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup> after church. Church will supply hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, drinks. Will get a couple of grills. Jim will let Cindy know about picnic. Connie also suggested about a couple of fund raisers for the general fund this summer and fall. Possibility about having a hoagie sale in August or September and a pot pie/pastie sale this fall. More details to come.

4. Gift For Our Graduates: Graduate Sunday will be on June 1. Graduates will receive a gift certificate to Barnes & Noble. Would also like to do something special for Becky. She will be graduating from Lancaster Seminary and we have always supported her throughout her journey. Discussed ideas for Becky. Decided on a home communion kit.

#### **VI. Upcoming Events:**

1. May 25: Memorial Weekend, last day for Sunday School (Celebration Breakfast)
2. May 23 to 25: Prayer and Healing weekend
3. May 31: Sunday School Yard & Bake Sale
4. June 1: Church service at 9:30, "Each One Bring One Back Sunday"; Graduation Sunday & Communion ( Jim & Ron will set up communion)
5. June 11: Committee night at 6:30 P.M.
6. June 15: Father's Day & "Each One Bring One Sunday"
7. June 22 to 26: VBS. We are host church.

#### **VII. Others:**

1. Pastor Penny has met with Rev. Allen. Ordination will be held in September.
2. Jim made suggestion about small bulletin board in fellowship hall where the scouts have their certificates and awards. Will find one at Staples or Walmart. Also said that there are areas outside fellowship hall where there is white underneath the windows from the siding. Ron mentioned about trying a pressure washer to clean this off. Jim also suggested about making sure ushers wear white gloves when taking offering and serving communion. Said that maybe we can get new and lighter gloves. Current ones are heavy, buttons falling off and very old. Ron said he can pick up free gloves from where he works.
3. We are hosting the service at Old River Road Church on Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>.

**VIII. Next Meeting:** Thurs. June 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M.

**IX. Motion to Adjourn:** Motion made by J. Rinehimer and seconded by N. Horwath. Motion carried. Meeting ended at 8:20 P.M.

A meeting to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2008, Consistory meeting was held on June 8, 2008 after the Worship service. Present were: Connie Miller, Nelson Horwath, Janice Broyan, Don Myers, Lynne Stewart, and Ron Rinehimer. By proxy approval: Jim Rinehimer & Hilbert Eigenbrod. Absent - Chris Dietrich and Barry Myers. L. Stewart made motion to accept minutes as written and seconded by N. Horwath. Motion carried.