

## Consistory Meeting Minutes – July 28, 2011

- I. **Call To Order/Roll Call:** Meeting was opened by Ron Rinehimer, President, at 6:45 pm. Candle was lit by Ron Rinehimer and prayer was offered by Jim Rinehimer. Those attending were Ron Rinehimer, Jim Rinehimer, Pastor Penny Dollar, Chris Dietrich, Beverly Kramer, and Jill Bernetski. Absent: Janice Broyan, Meredith Martin and Jeff Shuman.
  
- II. **300 Club – Allen Dennis:** Overall, the event was a success. A total of 278 tickets were sold and there was an additional donation of \$90. The total profit for this event, including the additional fundraisers that took place during the day, was \$6,062. There was a \$1,500 profit from the Silent Auction and \$222 from the 50/50 drawing. There was only one complaint for the day – cold hamburgers. It was discussed that possibly next year the hamburgers and hot dogs would not be brought inside. If those attending want these items, they can just stand in line and get them at the grill. It was also decided that if water balloons were used next year, maybe they could be filled up the night before to avoid any problems with the water. The suggestion was made to send out postcards next year to solicit people to attend or at least purchase a ticket. At this time, Allen left the meeting.
  
- III. **Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the June 16, 2011 consistory meeting were sent to some members via email. All members received a copy prior to meeting. Minutes were reviewed. No additional changes were made. Motion was made by Beverly Kramer & seconded by Chris Dietrich to approve June consistory minutes. Motion carried.
  
- IV. **Treasurer's Report:** The 06-30-11 treasury report was sent to members via email prior to the meeting. Additional copies were provided. Additional copies were provided. Overall totals for general, building and memorial funds were calculated correctly. A motion was made by Jill Bernetski and seconded by Chris Dietrich to accept June Treasurer's Report totals. Motion carried.
  
- V. **Old Business:**
  1. **PNEC Conference:** The name of this event has been changed to Consistory Retreat; it is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at Pastor Penny's home in Sunbury.
  2. **Audit of Books:** Frank and Cliff have the books and are working to complete the audit.
  3. **Organist:** Olivia Richards will continue to fill in while Don is on vacation; she is doing very well. Discussion was held to possibly have Olivia play two Sundays a month (to give Don a break) and have Don play the other two Sundays. Pastor will talk to Don for his input before any changes are made.
  4. **Railing Memorial Plaque:** Discussion was tabled until the next meeting.
  5. **Steeple Light CD:** Beverly is still working on this.
  6. **Veterans Day Plaque:** Discussion tabled until the next meeting.
  7. **Church Lights:** Pastor will get the name of an electrician to install the lights.
  8. **Attic Insulation:** Ron will call around for pricing. Now is the time to have this done.
  
- VI. **New Business:**
  1. **Pavilion Landscape:** There is concern about the large drop off on the edge of the pavilion. It was suggested to have some landscaping done to avoid any accidents at the edge. A few small shrubs are needed as well as some mulch or stone; mulch would be less expensive. Ron will check to see what types of shrubs are easy to maintain. Up to \$500 could be spent on this project – to purchase about 8 shrubs and some mulch. Jim will also check with Cindy to see if she has any suggestions for a landscaper.
  2. **Pavilion Power:** The pavilion needs to be wired for electricity prior to September; it would be preferable to have outlets all the way around. Pastor Penny will check with the electrician who will be installing the lights.

3. Tables: Fifteen lightweight tables (8' x 30") will be purchased; they will be the same length and width of the current heavier tables. The price at Lowe's is \$72 and the price at Sam's Club is \$80. At Lowe's, if an account is opened, we will receive a 5% discount on each table bringing the cost down to \$68.42 per table. Five members have already volunteered to purchase a table. Those who donate a table will be acknowledged on the large plaque. A motion was made by Jill Bernetski and seconded by Beverly Kramer for Jim Rinehimer to open an account at Lowe's for the church and to purchase 15 tables. It was also decided that all the older tables will be kept to be used for fundraising events.
4. Parking Lot: The parking lot has a lot of large cracks in it that need to be repaired. It will cost approximately \$3,000 to have it fixed (\$1,500 for the front lot and \$1,500 for the back lot. It was suggested that maybe we could have a work day to fix it but there would be too much involved; it would be better to have someone who does this professionally complete the work. Beverly said she would check at Gatorade to see who does the maintenance on their parking lot.

**VII. Other:**

1. Hall Use: Denise received a call from Sue Kurtz from the First Congregational Church in Hopkinton, NH. She is chaperoning a mission trip to Tennessee and asked if the church would allow their group to sleep there overnight on their trip home. It was decided to allow them to use the fellowship hall and possible provide pizza for the participants.
2. SpiriTed Concert: This will be held on August 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. A coffee hour will be held afterwards; light refreshments and finger foods will be needed. Two people are needed at 5:30 to help unload the equipment; two tables are also needed. A love offering will be collected.
3. Thank You Notes: A thank you note will also be sent to Brian Steinbrenner who provided sanitation removal at no cost to the church. He has provided a pick up 6 times since May 23<sup>rd</sup>.
4. Church Picnic: The picnic will be held August 14<sup>th</sup>. The church will supply hamburgers and hot dogs and members will be asked to bring a covered dish. There will be dirty bingo – prizes are needed. The renting of a Moon Bounce will be deferred to Rally Day.

**VIII. Pastor's Business:**

1. Youth Mission Trip: Pastor Penny will not be preaching July 31<sup>st</sup> or August 7<sup>th</sup>. Dave Horenski will preach July 31<sup>st</sup> and Archie will preach August 7<sup>th</sup>.
2. Vacation: Although Pastor Penny was scheduled to be on vacation July 15<sup>th</sup> through the 23<sup>rd</sup>, she didn't take her vacation; she was only off Thursday and Monday. She has rescheduled her vacation for November 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>. She will be leaving after Sunday's church service on November 6<sup>th</sup>.
3. Baptisms: There are 3 upcoming baptisms; one in August and two in September. Pastor Penny would like to have a changing table purchased to accommodate families with babies.
4. Miscellaneous: Miners Congregational UCC has found a minister; Pastor Penny will no longer be preaching there prior to our service.

**IX. Communion Setup: AUGUST: Janice and Jill  
SEPTEMBER: Jim**

- X. Next Meeting: Thursday, September 15, 2011 at 6:30 pm. If an issue arises before then, a short meeting will be held before or after church on August 14<sup>th</sup>.

**XI. Adjourn: Meeting was called to close by Ron Rinehimer at 8:05 pm.**