

## Consistory Meeting Minutes – October 13, 2011

- I. Call To Order/Roll Call:** Meeting was opened by Jim Rinehimer, Vice President, at 7:35 pm. Candle was lit by Jill Bernetski and prayer was offered by Jeff Shuman. Those attending were Jim Rinehimer, Pastor Penny Dollar, Janice Broyan, Chris Dietrich, Jeff Shuman, and Jill Bernetski. Absent: Ron Rinehimer, Meredith Martin and Beverly Kramer.
- II. Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the September 15, 2011 consistory meeting were sent to members via email. All members received a copy prior to meeting. Minutes were reviewed. One change was noted; the purchase of the changing tables was approved; they just need to be purchased. Motion was made by Janice Broyan and seconded by Chris Dietrich to approve September consistory minutes with the noted changes. Motion carried.
- III. Treasurer's Report:** The 09-30-11 treasury report was sent to members via email prior to the meeting. Additional copies were provided. Overall totals for general, building and memorial funds were calculated correctly. One question was raised regarding the July altar flower expense. Jim will follow up with Denise Dean, church secretary. A motion was made by Jill Bernetski and seconded by Janice Broyan to accept the September Treasurer's Report totals. Motion carried.
- IV. Old Business:**
1. Consistory Retreat: The date will be rescheduled at the January meeting; this will allow the new consistory members can be involved.
  2. Audit of Books: Frank Partington and Cliff Readler have the books and are working to complete the audit. There is no further update.
  3. Organist: Olivia Richards has agreed to play the first and second Sunday of each month; Don Eroh will play the other two Sundays.
  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 was tabled until the next meeting; need to speak to Don Myers for more information.
  7. Church Lights: One of the small lights in the sanctuary is out and another one is flickering. There is concern that it is more than a burned out light since these are relatively new bulbs. There is no further update.
  8. Attic Insulation: Ron is still researching pricing. This will help with the heating expense. This will be completed in the very near future.
  9. Parking Lot: One bid was being presented to the consistory; there was an additional bid but this was for \$1,000 more than the bid being presented. The bid presented was made by Ziscoat Complete Asphalt Maintenance Specialists. There were two separate quotes for the front and back lot and for the side lot. Each quote includes a price for cleaning and sealing the cracks or sealing the cracks only. The quotes were as follows:
    - a. Side Lot: Seal only - \$689; clean and seal - \$1,015.
    - b. Front and Back Lot: Seal only - \$743; clean and seal - \$1,006Discussion was held and it was decided that the cracks should be cleaned and sealed; this would prolong the life of the maintenance. If the cracks were just sealed, the work would probably need to be done again next year. The total of the maintenance will be \$2,021. A motion was made to bring this expenditure to the congregation by Jeff Shuman and was seconded by Chris Dietrich. Motion carried. This will be brought to the congregation on October 30<sup>th</sup>; notice will be given the next two Sundays announcing the meeting.
  10. Flood Relief Drive: This event went very well. Enough items were collected to fill two tractor trailers along with a box truck. The consistory would like to thank all who whelped support this cause; the residents of Shickshinny were very appreciative. Special thanks go out to Ron Rinehimer and all who helped make this event a success.

11. Turkey Dinner: This will be held on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Help is needed for Friday and Saturday. Set up will begin at 8am.
12. VISION: The church will host VISION the week of October 17<sup>th</sup> through October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Dinner doesn't need to be served to the men at the same time; whatever is easier is acceptable. They are just appreciative to have a place to house them. There will be approximately 35 men that will be housed at the church. Help is needed to serve. Next year, we will sponsor VISION a week in April and a week in October; both will be the week after the turkey supper.
13. Church Maintenance: This is being performed as needed/able.

**V. New Business:**

1. Fellowship Hall Heat: Ron would like to purchase a box light ultraviolet heater that can go in a corner to assist with the heating of the Fellowship Hall. To run this, it will cost approximately \$1.25 a day in electricity. It will help maintain the heat in the hall and will help to save on oil. The heater costs approximately \$200. A motion to purchase the heater was made by Jill Bernetski and seconded by Janice Broyan. The motion carried.
2. Soup Sale: A sale will be held; it will be scheduled in conjunction with the Boy Scout's hoagie sale. When this date is determined, the scouts will let us know; it should be in November or early December. It will be announced to the congregation to see if anyone is willing to share a favorite recipe. Chicken noodle and a vegetable soup will be sold as well.

**VI. Pastor's Business:**

1. Changing Tables: The style of changing tables has been decided on; they will be ivory. Two will be purchased; one for the Men's Room and one for the Ladies' Room. They just need to be purchased.
2. Budget Committee: A committee is needed to prepare a budget for the upcoming year. The budget needs to be completed two weeks before the annual meeting which is scheduled for December 11<sup>th</sup>. Chris and Jim volunteered to be on this committee.
3. General Liability Insurance: This will come from the general fund; discussion will be held at the November meeting.
4. Vacation: Pastor Penny will be on vacation the week of October 30<sup>th</sup>. She will preach that Sunday and will be leaving that afternoon; she will not return until the following Sunday afternoon (November 6<sup>th</sup>). Tina Kensington will preach on November 6<sup>th</sup>; Pastor Penny will bless the elements before she leaves for communion on November 6th. Pastor Penny also has one more week to schedule. What she may do is take the first week in January.
5. Miscellaneous: Harvest home will be held on October 23<sup>rd</sup>; the Sunday School Halloween Party will be held on October 30th. Daylight Savings time ends November 6<sup>th</sup>. This year, the Mountain Top Community Thanksgiving Eve service will be held at Emmanuel. The Sunday School Christmas program will be held on December 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be two services held on Christmas Eve.

**VII. Communion Setup:** NOVEMBER: Ron and Beverly  
DECEMBER: Jim and Chris

**VIII. Next Meeting:** Thursday, November 17, 2011 at 6:30 pm.

**IX. Adjourn:** Meeting was called to close by Jim Rinehimer at 8:23 pm.