

Bedington United Methodist Church Council Meeting 19 February, 2018

Present were Jerry Leishman, Steve Hose, Lori Turner, Pastor Scott Summers, Pastor Walter Bowers, Freeda Bowers, Kyle Sandy, Dee Lafaber, Gail Boarman, Nancy Deeds, Denia Leishman and Gail Carter.

Jerry opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes from the January meeting were reviewed and approved.

Old Business:

- The trustees' and UM Ladies kitchen/ fellowship hall renovation project will begin on May 21- it should be complete before VBS starts in June. A down payment has been sent to Johnnies for the kitchen materials; quotes are currently being sought for the new flooring.
- The new building CD has been closed and is currently in the building fund checking account. The council moved to invest the funds from the CD with the United Methodist Foundation (who will invest it in ways that are consistent with Methodist principles). Jerry and Steve will contact the investment team to finalize the details of this move and set up the deposit.
- Children's Church has resumed and is in place for both Sunday services.
- The safety committee met with a security expert who provided a quote to perform a safety and security assessment for the church. On the committee's recommendation, the council voted to insert a line item in the 2018 budget for \$5,000 to cover the consultant's safety assessment, the development of (4) emergency action plans and the purchase of an AED and related emergency supplies.

New business:

- Dee shared that the UM Ladies have reserved the fellowship hall on July 12, 13 and 14 for an inside yard sale.
- The 2018 budget, including the aforementioned addition of a line item for safety, was reviewed and approved. It was decided that a summary of the church's financial information would be included in the bulletin once monthly- essentially a consolidated cash flow statement detailing a beginning balance, a summary of funds received/ expenses incurred and an ending balance.
- Leadership Days will be held in Hagerstown on Saturday, March 17. This meeting is open to the entire congregation- several members of the council will likely attend.
- Kevin Knowles, Berkeley County Community Recovery Services Coordinator, wants to meet with the council in March to discuss creating an AA/NA program for the northern part of the county.

Dee closed the meeting with prayer. The next council meeting will be March 19.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Carter