

Administrative Council minutes--January 20, 2021mm

Attending: Tom Frost, Sharon Wormser, Janet Stargell, Mary Ott, Lora Hooper, Bob Warring, David Herndon, Alice Sorum, Staci Hainsworth, Debbie Powell

Chair's Report: Sharon referred to the attachment of SUMC strengths and weaknesses. She will write a mission statement to present at the February meeting. Staci will add a link to the council minutes each month in the Colonnade for the next six months: Plan for children and preschool--Ellen and Mary Curtis; Pastoral transition--Trustees will continue getting the parsonage ready and report back to the council.; Bob Warring (SPRC) will update the council on the pastoral appointment when he has information to share: Online ministry--We plan to continue as a mission for those who don't attend in person.

Secretary's Report: December minutes were approved. Action Item: Overflow attendance--Staci will call a meeting of HCT as soon as possible.

Trustees: Crutchfield will evaluate our system on January 28. Tree removal at the parsonage will cost \$6500. This includes pruning the maple and hauling away tree and debris.

SPRC: Bev Baber has agreed to serve. Council voted to accept hemembership.

Finance: Finance recommended that the surplus of \$5263 be allocated to the Parsonage Project Fund. A motion was made and passed to accept this recommendation. A motion was made and passed to approve the revised budget.

Jubilee Fund: Council voted to dissolve the Jubilee Assistance Fund established in 2013, and to use the proceeds to pay off the two borrower's loans.

Worship: Janet reported that the Worship team is working on a job description for a worship leader and a technical support person. Finance and SPRC will be involved in this process and updates will be shared.

Pastor's Report: Tom suggested that we continue our online ministry after the COVID restrictions are lifted as a connectional ministry as well as our "one mile radius" local ministry. Tom will research the specifics of how we could follow up with people who view the service. Tom will meet with the Rector of the Episcopal church and others regarding the financial management of the Bread of Life Tom and Staci will work on a format for long and short term prayer concerns.

Tom spoke about the changes SUMC would experience due to continued COVID restrictions and a new pastor coming in July. We should consider change as an opportunity to make a fresh start. We should examine our priorities and discern God's calling--for us as individuals and as a church.

Announcements: Sharon asked the council to email her with opinions about having in-person council meetings.

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. on ZOOM.