

**Manchaca United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting  
Feb. 22, 2018 - 7:00 PM  
Minutes**

**Presiding at the meeting:** Rev. Andy Smith, Sr. Pastor & Rick Bowman, Church Council Chair

**In Attendance at the meeting: 16**

Ron Mize	Rosie Grattan	Bill Konde
Rhonda Morris	Natasha Pelayo	Bob Caudil
Scott Abel	David Luna	Michelle Lunsford
Jennifer Batista	David Gibbs	Daryl Voges

**Not in Attendance at the meeting:**

Clint Wilson	Loretta Loyd	Ed Engleking
Debbie Dulski	Richard Halweg	Bart Sturzl

**Visitors:**

Dick Christ	Michele Sweeten
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**Devotional and Opening Prayer:** At 7:00 PM the Church Council of Manchaca United Methodist Church began with a short devotional and prayer.

**Finance Report:** Dick presented the finance report with handouts showing the 2017 summary and the 2018 budget. Dick compared Jan 2018 to Jan 2017 income and reviewed last years budget. 2018 is budgeted to lose \$64K but we are hoping for better.

Michele works for a CPA firm on Manchaca Dr. She arranged for the audits/reviews. Michele commented on the separate cash accounts shown for each group (Sunday school classes, etc). We really have only 3 bank accounts. Audits occur every other year and reviews every other year alternating. The reviews/audits are done according to Methodist rules, not quite the same as GAAP. Fixed assets (like the buildings) were added to the balance sheet as a recommendation from the auditors. The fixed assets actually understate the current value due to depreciation.

Michele also reviewed the Statement of Activities for Operations that compared 2017 to 2016 expenses and income. No questions from the council.

**Trustees Team Report:** Daryl gave the Trustees report. The Trustees will alternate chairpersons as Daryl can be out of town for extended periods. Recent Trustee concerns are: updating insurance, recent AC replacements and implementing preventative maintenance, reinstating workdays, inspecting the two water wells that are on site, installing better entrance lighting near the family life center to match the other entrance, a couple of new microphones in the sanctuary, stained glass window protection with upcoming construction, expanded signage around the church, and the opportunity to buy 5 acres of land between us and the Baptist church, not including the restaurant.

Sanctuary renovations are complete with the exception of a few chairs on order. There is an issue with the flooring buckling in the main hallway. We are looking into repairs before Easter.

Build-Serve-Grow is in a lull. We need to renew our drive for more donations or secure a loan to continue renovations. A side note - Video screens are needed and should have been included in BSG.

**Pastor Parish Relations Report:** David Gibbs said the PPR has been having meetings but nothing to report at this point.

**Purpose Team Report/Associate Pastor:** The Purpose team (with Rosie and Scott) came up with goals from the church planning retreat and will present them soon. The Congregational Life team would like to put some organization into keeping the FLS kitchen clean.

**Pastors Report:**

Andy said we had our church vision day on January 28. He provided a handout with possible church goals from that day. They were grouped as Inward Facing, Outward Facing, and Facilities Stewardship. Andy spoke about each idea/goal which sparked some discussions.

The last item on Andy's list was to create an active shooter response plan. The consensus was to find a consultant, usually someone in law enforcement. Rick and David said they would research.

Andy motioned and Rhonda seconded for the church to officially adopt the goals as listed. A few of the goals were discussed with all positive feedback. A verbal vote passed.

**Other Business:** The 1626 construction crew is offering free tree mulch. How much would we want?

Michelle talked about the community gardens and how the lack of fencing allowed deer to devastate the plants. The gardens need more people to help if they are to thrive.

The Shelby system with new church website should go on-line in 1-2 months.

**Closing:** Pastor Andy closed the meeting at 8:45pm with a prayer. The next council meeting is April 19th, the third Thursday every other month. Future meetings are in June, Aug, Oct, & Dec.