

Manchaca United Methodist Church
Church Council Meeting
April, 2018 - 7:00 PM
Minutes

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

In Attendance at the meeting: 23

Ron Mize	Rosie Grattan	Bill Konde
Rhonda Morris	Natasha Pelayo	Bob Caudil
Scott Abel	David Luna	Michelle Lunsford
Jennifer Bautista	Daryl Voges	Richard Halweg
Clint Wilson	Ed Engleking	Loretta Loyd
Emmett Thomason	Kim Carroll	

Not in Attendance at the meeting:

David Gibbs	Bart Sturzl	Debbie Dulski
Jenny Rinehart	Linda Voges	

Visitors:

Russell Uhrlich	Glenn Jordan	Gary Carpenter
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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: Ed presented the finance report. Ed highlighted various expense and income differences from the budget. Apportionment expenses are less this year as a part of an overall commitment to reduce apportionments. An insurance increase is coming due to hurricane damage across the US. Maintenance costs are lower so far this year but summer is coming.

The summary of the recent financial audit has been reviewed and completed and the next one is started.

Trustees Team Report: Clint gave the Trustees report. The Trustees have been preparing renovation quotes for the FLC and the main hallways and bathrooms. Clint gave some details about renovations discussed in the meeting held earlier this week. He provided a handout with specific items and costs. There was a discussion about individual items. The restrooms will be ADA compliant, but no ramp for the stage. The stage will be 21 inches high which would require a 21 foot long ramp. The audio/video equipment should last for years. The new lighting will save energy & money, replacing 500W bulbs with LED's.

Daryl brought up possible parking lot changes. Estimates range from \$50K-200K. \$50K would only include resurfacing. ADA compliance would need to address the east side main entrance - sidewalk grades/ramps. Total parking lot rebuild would be near \$250K. These are just talking points, no real bids yet. We need to consider what we want to do or not want to do.

VBS ends mid-August. Renovations could start after VBS and take 12-14 weeks. The total proposal estimate is \$451K. We should request how much the church members are willing to give / support. A loan looks like the only solution to begin construction this summer. We need to present something to the church in about a months time with as much information as possible. Suggested date is May 20. Scott motioned to make a comittment to renovate and present to the church. Jennifer seconded. A verbal vote passed.

There is an issue with the flooring buckling in the main hallway. A close inspection showed no physical damage from heavy traffic. The flooring company has been contacted and will gather moisture samples. It looks like an adhesive problem. We need to check the warranty.

Pastor Parish Relations Report: No report this month.

Purpose Team Report/Associate Pastor: Scott gave the Purpose team report. He talked about the upcoming events through summer and fall. A church picnic is planned for May 6. Jennifer mentioned possibly hosting a farmers market in September.

Pastors Report: Andy displayed the Shelby system on a monitor and mentioned how well it works, empowering the staff to send mass messages or phone calls. The on-line directory will be accessible to members.

Andy brought up the new website and showed and described how it works with scheduling events and items. A person can sign up on-line for a bible study. The calendar has filters for different categories. There is a blog. News and stories. Photos. Council minutes.

Other Business: The 1626 construction crews are still getting permission to move utility poles. Sept 2019 is the scheduled construction start date.

Rick gave an overview of the Active shooting faith-based seminar he and others attended. It also included violence and sex crimes. Additional APD training is scheduled at Oak Hill UMC on April 24. Glenn Jordan brought handouts about the type of information that will be presented at the training. Next steps are to gather more information and create a response plan. Glenn is offering his services to help with a plan.

Andy motioned that Kim be an alternate for the annual conference. Clint seconded and a verbal vote passed.

Andy recommended the church give some money for a CDC fundraiser. Ed said the finance committee would look into it.

Ed would like to invite anyone that has an interest in youth and youth training to attend a fundraiser dinner at the center for youth ministry training. Talk to Ed for more information and tickets.

Kim mentioned required training for adults working with youth / children that we need to comply. This includes VBS and Sunday school. She also mentioned vulnerable adults. Kim needs group leader volunteers for VBS.

Emmett said the men's group will be having a men's clothing drive in May.

Closing: Pastor Andy closed the meeting at 9:15pm with a prayer. The next council meeting is June 21st, the third Thursday every other month. Future meetings are in Aug, Oct, & Dec.