

Manchaca United Methodist Church (MUMC)
Church Council Minutes
February 25, 2021
Submitted by Leigh Anne Moore

Presiding: Rev. David McNitzky, Sr. Pastor and Rick Bowman, Church Council Chair

In Attendance:

*Chansin Esparza	Ron Mize	Emmett Thomason
*Kim Carroll	Malcolm Nelson	Beth Watkins
*Leigh Anne Moore	Dave Bourell	Loretta Loyd
*Jenn Romero	Mary Looney	Ron Hawkins
Roxana Gramada Loyd	Ken Kattner	Lance Lunsford
Jenn Bautista	Bart Sturzl	

Absent:

Gary Carpenter	Tonia Norman	Ed Engleking
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Call to Order: 7:02 pm

Devotional and Opening Prayer: Rick Bowman Matthew 9:13

Review of Minutes from November 5, 2020 Meeting: Motion to approve made by Lance Lunsford, Second-Dave Bourell. Minutes approved as recorded.

Senior Pastor's Report- Pastor David shared information about the Future Summit February 26th-27th. Six talks (25-30 mins.) by various presenters then break into Zoom meetings with Manchaca UMC leaders to discuss the talks and regarding the different world we live in from last March.

The Homecoming Committee and Exile Committee were retired. Pastor David thanked the committees for their service to the church. Moving forward, the Administrative Team will make decisions regarding re-opening.

Pastor David recognized Kim Carroll for the idea about a Service of Remembrance for those who have lost loved ones as the one-year anniversary of Covid approaches. The service is scheduled for March 14th.

March 7th outdoor worship returns along with communion Sunday. Drive in communion is being moved to an earlier time (9:30) so those who attend the 8:30 worship service don't have to wait so long for communion.

Homecoming Team Update-Pastor Chansin shared the youth group is going well. A parent of one of the youths told Chansin this group has been a great experience for her son. There was a parent meeting for the youth on February 28th.

Mission camp will be in June hopefully.

The new website is up and running. The website is an easier format. Please let Chansin know if you can't find anything on the new website that was on the previous website.

The data base clean-up has been successful. Several people are working to purge the rolls of members so longer attending.

Chansin has a small group of six other mom's that have been meeting since last October.

Chansin is looking forward to the Summit and outdoor worship returning.

Christian Education-Kim Carroll suggested we take pictures of those who attend church services and share them to keep people connected. She is grateful for technology to keep groups up and running and connected through covid.

Lent classes are starting now. Other classes will start in March and April.

"Frozen February" Sunday School was a success. It has been hard to keep children engaged with Zoom. Next month's theme will be "March to Easter".

The church will not be having a regular Vacation Bible School this year. Kim is looking to have a "family style" festival VBS to limit family exposure and bring families together that are losing touch with other families.

The confirmation class is being postponed this spring. They will have the 6th and 7th grade classes together at a later time.

PPR Report-Mary Looney shared the SPRC team discussed church staff salaries and has delayed moving forward due to the decline in church finances. This was not something the SPRC wanted to do but felt it was something they had to do.

Finance Report-Dave Bourell shared the proposed 2021 church budget. Dave stated the budget does reflect a staff salary increase. The CDC building usage line item decreased from \$44,400 to \$33,000 due the CDC operating at a 50% capacity. Dave will meet with Leigh Anne Moore, CDC Director, to finalize this amount. After discussion, the new amount will be \$31,572 for building usage.

Janitorial supplies have increased due to covid protocols.

There was a misunderstanding regarding Associate Pastor utilities. Statements were to be submitted to church for reimbursement.

Senior Pastor annual salary is \$131,750.

Associate Pastor annual salary is \$67,200.

Salaried employees total \$177,000. This includes \$10,000 to reflect a 3.5% increase. The \$10,000 was split between salaried staff and pastors with retroactive pay for January and February. SPRC will divvy this amount.

Maintenance budget was previously \$40,000. Actual maintenance was \$57,355. 2021 Maintenance budget is \$50,000.
Contingency/New Ministries is \$3,120.
The remainder of Grover Alexander's Estate was applied to the 2021 Budget.
Dave motioned to approve the proposed budget with a net zero balance. Bart Sturzl seconded. All in favor and the budget was approved as proposed.

Dave stated the church had made a significant pay down on the FLC/Sanctuary loan.
January 2020 loan balance \$412,319
January 2021 loan balance \$336, 158
This loan is the only liability the church has at this time. All others have been paid off.
The church has roughly \$3.3 million in assets with only \$336,00 debt.

Dave shared there are several church groups that have money in the savings account (\$158,950.93.) He recommended reviewing these various groups to see which ones are still around and use these resources actively rather than sitting in the bank. Dave will review these groups to see which ones can be absorbed and make recommendations.

Trustees Report-Beth Watkins stated a leak was found in the pavilion following the winter freeze. The water has been cut off to the pavilion and no further issue. This leak will be fix at a later date.
HVAC repairs were done in January. Bart Sturzl has agreed to be in charge of the HVAC repairs. The heater in the CDC east side was fixed.

Potholes in the parking lot and driveway were repaired in February. A church member offered to pay for this repair.

Pam McNitzky has been cleaning up the grounds. She is having the shed behind the pavilion and the gazebo removed to make mowing easier. The fire department has agreed to help with the controlled burn at no cost but will need volunteers to help. This will be to burn the pile of debris in the back property. The date has not been set for this controlled burn.

Greg Moore was hired to remove/cut back trees that were touching the roof. Damage has been done to the roof because of the branches.
Beth applied for a PEC grant for lights for the pavilion. Grant was declined.

Starting in January, Camp Gladiator is using the east parking lot for classes from 5:00-6:00 am on Monday/Wednesday/Friday. They have their own insurance.

Church insurance does not cover items in the pavilion storage rooms. Craft group and others need to remove anything of value from these areas.

Other Items-Ron Hawkins shared Bob and Sandy Setterquist are moving to Colorado. Sandy was integral in setting up our relationship with Menchaca Elementary. Recommended a thank you card for Sandy and her part in making this a success.

Habitat for Humanity Methodist Build is being moved to the fall. Ron will keep us posted on future dates.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.