

CHRIST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
CONSISTORY MEETING  
April 10, 2014, 6:30 pm

PRESENT: Pastor Donald Mason, Larry Noll, Georgia Hemperly, Howard Bixler, Shirley Wolfe, Ruth Troxell, Jean Rhine, Doug Snyder, David Troxell, John Gible, Alice Gible and Andrew Mason.

ABSENT: Sharon Riganati, Michele Sinadinos and Judy Barchet.

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Noll and Pastor Don opened with a prayer.

PASTOR'S REPORT: The Pastor informed us that he has pneumonia and would not be able to stay for the entire meeting. Therefore, he presented the Property Committee findings and asked to be excused.

SECRETARY REPORT: The Finance Chair indicated that there was a miscommunication on the amount to be financed through the new Church Improvement Loan and that the actual amount was \$122,000. Payments would be the same but would be for thirteen years. Secretary's report was approved as amended.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The Treasurer indicted that our giving is down dramatically from last year, impacted by the severe weather of this winter. We discussed some possible ideas to increase our giving. The Finance Chair will put an article in The Wake Tree. He will also be making a chart to show where we are in response to the elevator project. Discussion was held regarding members who have not been attending regularly. Letters will be sent to encourage them to "come back to church as they are missed." We also discussed members who have not contributed using their envelopes for over a year.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The committee is still searching for someone to chair the Personnel Committee – any volunteers or suggestions would be appreciated.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Nothing to report.

YOUTH DELEGATE: Nothing to report.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: The Pastor provided us with a punch list of items still needing to be completed before the elevator project is complete and the elevator operational. Since we are not sure when this will happen, the dedication will be postponed to a later date. A cleanup date has been tentatively scheduled for May 10. The roofing contractor replaced the slate tiles as requested and attempted to find the leak in the sanctuary ceiling. They will have to come back again to pinpoint the location as they could not find any wet spots. Hopefully insurance will

cover these costs. JR Hemperly and Ernie Heisey will be replacing lights in the sanctuary. The plumbing problem in the downstairs ladies room has been fixed.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE COMMITTEE: Committee will meet April 21. Committee chair will draft a letter to be sent to members who have not given to the church for over a year to see if they still want to continue their membership. The Chicken BBQ will be held August 2.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE: Nothing to report.

WORSHIP AND WITNESS COMMITTEE: Nothing to report.

HOSPITALITY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE: The date for the elevator dedication has been postponed. A party will be held on May 18 in honor of Garrett Book as he finishes his assignment with us. The Easter egg hunt will be held April 19.

PASTOR/PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE: John and Alice Gibble will be meeting with Marlene Hinkle to discuss items from the recent focus group meetings.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the above reports. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Garrett Book provided us with a synopsis of items brought forth in the recent focus group meetings. He feels that they were very productive and that most members have a very positive attitude. He will be meeting with the children of the church on Sunday, April 13 to get their input as well. It was proposed that someone will be present the findings to the congregation during a Sunday service, and head up a task force to address issues brought forth during the focus groups. An article would also be placed in the Wake Tree. Volunteers will be needed to assist on this task force. John Gibble volunteered to head up the task force. Motion was made and approved accepting these findings and setting up the task force as proposed.

No proposal for the new sound system was received at this meeting, as had been anticipated; therefore, the congregational meeting will be postponed to a later date.

NEW BUSINESS: None

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 and concluded with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Wolfe  
Consistory Secretary