

Lone Oak United Methodist Church

Church Council Minutes

DATE: Tuesday, May 21, 2024, 6:00 pm – 8:40 pm

Members:

P	Sam Boss	P	Jack Feiler	P	David Pope - Chair
P	Allen Burnett		Carson Ford	P	Freda Thompson
P	Donna Chu	P	Ranee Gough		
P	David Cunningham – Lay Leader		Renee Planitz	P	Connor Williams – Pastor
P	Kirk Edwards				

Others:

Agenda Items:

Topic: Opening Prayer & Spiritual Formation: Chair – David Pope

Discussion: David Pope called the meeting to order. He led the group in prayer and Spiritual Formation based on Ephesians 4:4 – 13.

Leadership Equipping: David led a discussion on questions 1. Why does our congregation exist? If it were to disappear, for whom would it make a difference?

Topic: General Ministry Update – Connor Williams

Discussion: Connor shared that the Pentacost service went well and the cornhole tournament was well attended.

He reported on the Societies that have been meeting for 3 weeks. There has been engagement and sharing, and different mission ideas. Sunday there will be a discussion about the future.

Connor and David reported on the sign discussed at the previous meeting. It would hold 5’ x 12’ banners (each costing \$150 - \$200), with lighting on the inside. Materials would be about \$500. There was discussion about erecting a large LED sign on the hill. Kirk will talk to a sign company about rules and regulation regarding sign placement and an idea of about what we are talking about doing. He will share with David Pope to send out to council. He may call a special meeting to discuss.

Topic: Approval of April Minutes

Discussion:

Action: Motion to approve by Allen Burnett; Seconded by Ranee Gough. Motion passed.

Topic - Church Council Overview document

Freda Thompson made a motion to accept, seconded by Raneë Gough, opened to discussion.

Discussion: Grammar changes to David Pope, strike chief fundraiser from pastor responsibilities, removed 5A

Action: Motion passed with changes

Topic: Document – Proposed Guiding Principles document

Allen Burnett made a motion to approve, seconded by Raneë Gough

Discussion: Grammar changes to David Pope, discussion regarding SPRC and immediate family membersip

Action: Donna Chu made a motion to table the Guiding Principles and allow Allen Burnett to make changes, Kirk Edwards seconded, motion passed

Topic: Documents - Building Usage Policies

Motion to accept by Allen Burnett, seconded by Kirk Edwards, opened to discussion

Discussion: Clarified that council chair could approve usage if pastor not present and events preferred to end by 5pm. David Pope has formatting changes.

Address use of the grounds - fees for use of the grounds will be at the discretion of the pastor or council chair.

Title changed to Building and Grounds Usage Policy

Action: Motion passed with changes

Topic: Documents – Building Key Policies

Motion to approve by Jack Feiler, seconded by Raneë Gough, opened to discussion

Discussion: Grammar and formatting changes, deleted 1.2

Action: Motion passed with changes

Topic: Safety Plan

Motion to approve by Raneë Gough, seconded by Jack Feiler, opened to discussion

Discussion: Post the phone numbers of safety team in the office, bulletin board and kitchen – David Pope will check with Carson Ford. Grammar changes identified.

Action: Donna Chu made a motion to approve Safety Plan with edits, seconded by Raneë Gough, motion passed

Topic: Finance Report

Discussion: Budget behind \$15,000. Youth activities, cleaning and office supplies are running higher than budgeted.

Action:

Topic: Old Business

Charge Card

Discussion: Obtaining a charge card has been complicated due to tax ID numbers not matching, David Pope is working with Paducah Bank to rectify.

Open Positions:

Allen Burnett made a motion to hire Tamara Massey as custodian; seconded by Raneé Gough, David Cunningham excused from vote, motion passed

Kirk Edwards made a motion to hire Charisma Green as Childrens Ministry Director, seconded by Allen Burnett, Jack Feiler excused from vote, motion passed

Topic: New Business – Check Signing at Paducah Bank

Allen Burnett made a motion to remove Chuck Matheny from the check signing list at Paducah Bank; seconded by Kirk Edwards, motion passed

Topic: Communications

Discussion:

David Pope will prepare information to be shared in Sunday announcements.

Action:

Next Meeting 6pm on July 22nd, anything for consent package to David Pope by July 12th.

Respectfully submitted

Freda Thompson