

FEBRUARY 17, 2011 TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Gossage, Trapp, Butsch, Rimer, Heyser, Kaiser, Hoffman

Old Business:

Ceramic Tile Painting Project: Greg Albright is working on the Pastor's Restroom, using it as a pilot project to demonstrate a process for applying paint to the tile walls. It will also allow folks to see how the paint looks, and to demonstrate the "toughness" of the painted surface.

Steeple Issue: John Trapp provided the name of a Structural Engineer that was recommended to him by an Engineering Firm in Dayton, OH where his daughter works. That person is Mr. Bill Johanan, PE of WLJ Engineering, Hamilton, OH. Phone number is 937-866-9065 and Fax is 937-866-3985. Jim Heyser agreed to contact Johanan and ask what he would charge to come look at the steeple structure and then give us an estimate of what he would charge to evaluate the condition of the structure and provide a recommendation of any needed corrective action.

Arlington Avenue House Plan: Mike Gossage briefed the committee on discussion that took place at the last Leadership Team meeting. A group has been established to evaluate how the house might be used in a Ministry. Ed Gebhart will attend the next Trustee Meeting and present the group's recommendation, including a business plan for how the ministry would be funded. Leadership Team is then looking for Trustees to recommend to them what should be done with the house.

Discussion then took place about options to 1) Rent; 2) Use for Ministry; 3) Sell. Consensus seems to be that renting will not be a solution to our church's financial problem, as the net annual income would be little more than enough to pay our January utility bill. Sale of the house would provide funds for capital improvements to the church but could not be used to address our operating budget. It was decided that we should allow the new Ministry Group time to come up with a planned use of the house and put together the Business Plan for Trustees to evaluate. We can then see which of the 3 options we would recommend to the Leadership Team.

Parsonage Alarm System: Matt Hoffman reported that he will work with the alarm expert Saturday evening (Feb. 19) to begin installation. Gossage, Heyser and Rimer will join them in continuing the work on Sunday afternoon if the expert can be available.

New Business:

2011 Church Closing: It was agreed that Pat Schick will be asked if he will continue to do the closing, and if he cannot do it on some Sundays, a member of Trustees will fill in. Gwen Butsch agreed to contact Pat and give him her phone number as a Trustee Contact that he can call if he needs help. She will also ask Pat to help her update the Closing Procedure for use by those who are not familiar with what needs to be done.

Church Use Charges: Mike Gossage recommended modification to some of the charges that are currently shown on the LUMC website. The Committee agreed that his recommendations are acceptable and that he should proceed with updating the website. Some of the highlights are that a half-day use would cost \$200 and a full-day use would be \$300. The kitchen could be used for \$50 if the meal is catered, and for \$150 if cooking facilities would be used. A \$100 deposit will be required and it will be refunded if the church is left in good /clean condition after the event.

Acting Committee Secretary
Jim Heyser