

**United Evangelical Church**  
**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Of Meeting Held February 10, 2004**

**Attendance:** Clarence Powell, Rev. Cathy, Ursula Jacob, Elaine Kimos, Rose Marie Jefferson, Bill Myers, Bob Osburne, Shirley Willingham, Cass Young, Kris Orendorff, Julie Hovermill and Nancy Spirko

Bill read a spiritual message and Rev. Cathy said a prayer to open the meeting.

Minutes were read and accepted.

**Committee Reports:**

**Financial Report:** Clarence gave the Treasury report.

**Correspondence:** A thank you note was received from Peggy for the gift at Christmas.

**Property:** Bill submitted a School Building Summary. The summary begins on July 15, 2003 and follows through until the present time. Bill stated his job is completed until the financial committee makes their recommendation. Bill also advised bids will be completed this week and once we receive the bids we have 90 days to act. As Bill sees it, we have 3 ways to go: 1) do the entire building renovation (\$400,000), 2) do part of the renovation (\$175,000 - \$225,000), or 3) do nothing at all. Once the decision is made Bill will be happy to act as liaison between the contractor and the engineering company. Bill will leave all of the files in the drawer in the office.

Rev. Cathy informed everyone two committees have been formed:

1. The Building Finance Committee with Ellen Carter, Harvey Jacob, Olga DeBloom and Bill Single on that committee, which will be meeting next Thursday, February 19, 2004.
2. The Building Use Committee with George Nassner, Lori Betch, Diane Borkman and Julie Hovermill.

Clarence suggested once we receive the bids we should meet with the other 2 committees and get a unified decision. The Building Finance Committee and the Building Use Committee should be involved in discussions on what to present to the congregation. We will then show a unified presentation.

Bob suggested making copies of Bill's School Building Summary and distributing it to the congregation along with a plan on how we are going to borrow the money and how we are going to pay it back. Along those lines, Rev. Cathy's requested Bill get a report together regarding cost involved in the selling of the building.

Rev. Cathy received a fax today from the Guide to place an ad for the entire year in the section entitled Worship Directory. Everyone was in agreement to place the ad. Bob mentioned advertising in local papers or the guide that we are the largest Protestant church in Canton.

Kris volunteered to create and copy flyers that we can distribute in the neighborhood and perhaps on car windshields. Bill volunteered to help distribute the flyers. Elaine mentioned we might be able to put the flyers in stores, i.e., the Safeway bulletin board.

Rev. Cathy's Report: Rev. Cathy reported that the Saturday service is up and running the focus should be on growing the service. There are 8 people on the committee and they are about maxed out. They also need some help to design and produce a flyer. Kris and Bill volunteered to do that. Elaine also mentioned a doorhanger might be a good idea.

Clarence passed out a list of the 2004 Committees. Some rearranging of names was done and Clarence will finalize the list.

Membership: Cass placed an ad in the Endeavor for volunteers. No response was received.

Altar: Ursula had nothing to report.

**Fellowship:** Bob had nothing to report. Bob stated the date for the Sour Beef supper is Wednesday and Thursday, October 20 and 21, 2004.

**Spiritual:** The spiritual committee met last Thursday and talked about the Contemporary service. The topic of discussion was the flow of the service. Rev. Cathy reported there are 4 separate teams and through coordination of the teams the calendar is complete through July. There will be themes that the worship service will be based on.

Clarence asked where we are with Robert, who is spread a little thin doing the worship service on Sunday and Saturday. Rev. Cathy will contact the Central Presbyterian as they have a huge pool of people. Rev. Cathy is looking for a worship leader who can play the guitar or piano.

Bill made a motion for Rev. Cathy to proceed to contact the Central Presbyterian to find a person. The motion was agreed upon.

**Calendar:** Clarence asked Kris to explain the calendar procedure to Nancy. Kris advised he contacts Peggy/Church Office for the schedule of events.

**Ushering:** Rev. Cathy reminded everyone the rails need to be set up immediately after the offering on Communion Sunday. Rev. Cathy also suggested it would be a good idea to publish a list of Ushering Responsibilities and hang them in the Narthex.

**Christian Education:** Clarence had nothing to report. The meeting is next Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Rev. Cathy requested an agenda be done.

**Rev Cathy's Report:** Rev. Cathy received an e-mail from Columbia Christian church expressing their thanks for a wonderful time during the joint confirmation class last Sunday. A scavenger hunt was held and a good time was had by all.

**Rev. Cathy reported Peggy has requested May 17-21 for vacation and asked for volunteers to fill in. Nancy volunteered for Monday, May 17.**

**Rev. Cathy mentioned St. Bridgits church is having their 150 year anniversary and asked everyone to think of a nice gift we can give them.**

**Clarence reported since we don't have a treasurer he has assembled a financial committee. They will be looking for a candidate to train to handle the financial duties.**

**Old Business: Kris asked Rev. Cathy about Mary Lee, the Marketing Representative. Rev. Cathy called her several times but never received a return phone call.**

**New Business: Elaine mentioned a mission fundraiser. It's called a Mile of Pennies.**

**Motion to adjourn made by Cass. Seconded by Julie.**

**Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.**