

UMCL
Trustee Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2015

Trustees present: Max Schipper, Denny Tabor, Derek Heimerdinger, Pastor Dennis, Ed McCumber, Stan McCullum, Penny Quillan

Prayer: Pastor Dennis

Minutes of the previous meeting: Approved without corrections.

Finance Committee: Looking into online giving.

Ad Board: East and West MI Conferences will most likely be united. A vote will be taken at the annual conference in June.

Old Business

Fellowship Hall drywall repair by Stan will take place when the weather is warmer. Dennis Jensen has offered to help. One more helper will be needed.

Rapid Fire installed a third nozzle on the range hood bringing it up to code.

Service provider updates are as follows:

Plumbing - Ray Scholten

Electric - Consumers Energy

Kitchen appliances - Larry's Appliances

Copier - Check with Laurie

Phone System - Check with Laurie

Organ/Piano - Becky Sopha

Lawn mower/snow blower - Ed McCumber

Natural Gas - Dennis Tabor

Regarding the natural gas Dennis Tabor suggested that we stay with Lakeshore until the contract renews. At that time we will need to re-sign and decide if we should go with a fixed or variable rate. Dennis will continue to monitor this.

The issue of the trailers on the property has been reassigned to Ed McCumber.

Carol Lunde benefit was held at the church. Janice Wolfe was present. There were no issues.

Pastor Dennis completed a questionnaire from DTE Energy regarding energy use for the parsonage.

New Business

Ron Maluchnik submitted his hours and expenses in the amount of \$901. Dennis Tabor moved and Ed McCumber seconded the motion to authorize payment. Motion carried.

A meeting with Crites-Tidy representative Brian Lock has been scheduled for March 6th at 9:00 am. LED lights would be energy efficient and improve brightness. Dimmable LED lights would require a driver which is two additional wires per fixture. LED spots may also be able to replace existing spots.

Ron Maluchnik recommended that the side speakers be moved or lowered. It was suggested to try lowering the speakers first to avoid rewiring. Ron is willing to help if the speakers need to be moved.

Derek suggested having Max Schoenlin, a student at Ferris State University, come and access the acoustics. It was agreed to have him come and measure the sound reverberation and echo but not the sound system. Edgar Struble was also mentioned.

Max presented a plan and an example to build sound-absorbing panels. He would like the board to review the plan by the next meeting. It would take 12 people to build 124 panels to cover the back two walls.

The kitchen has been inspected by the District Health Department with no violations.

Max proposed a combined Sunday worship and congregational meeting be held on Sunday, April 19, 2015 at 10:00 am. The service would inform the congregation on the overall building conditions and enhancements. Max will bring the date and time to Laurie and have her touch base with the ad board.

Lock up: March 8 Dennis
March 15 Ed
March 22 Derek
March 29 Stan
April 5 Max

Next meeting April 7, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

Dennis Tabor will look into sales tax on the Consumers Electric bill for the parsonage.

The pews were locked in.