

**OUR REDEEMER'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 13, 2008**

Attendees	Pastor Bill, Sherrie Cottrell, Rich Hill, Marianne Rogenski, Glen Hollingsworth, Carolyn and Doug Meneely, JoAnne Gregorash, Jerry and Shirley McDaniel
Opening	Meeting called to order by Rich Hill at 7:17 p.m. Opening Prayer by Doug Meneely
Administration	<p>Introductions</p> <p>Minutes of January meeting were approved with the following change. Teacher Appreciation dinner was on February 26, not March 26. Glen motioned approval of the meeting notes as corrected and Doug seconded the motion. The committee approved the motion.</p>
Huddle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cell Tower – A motion was made by Glenn that we continue to support Richard Vales at last year's rate plus 3% a year after selling the Sprint Contract to Wireless Capital. He also moved that we continue to set aside funds each year to fund being a Rainbow Covenant Church. After discussion, Doug seconded and all voted aye on both motions. • ORUMC Security– Marianne informed the committee regarding what has been going on with a young woman who not only seems to be able to get into the church but also into Donna's office and there has been evidence that she has been using the computers. Marianne filed a police report so the Schaumburg police should be watching our parking lot at night so this woman is not able to park there and possibly gain entrance. Jerry McDaniel said that not only have the locks on Donna's office door been changed but also reinforced. The computers have also undergone an upgrade in security procedures. Marianne made a motion that the staff meet with Pastor Bill on how to handle people who come into the church for various types of help when he is not there. Marianne also made a motion that the staff meet with the Trustees and develop a security plan and last man out procedure. Jerry seconded and all voted aye on both motions. • Natural Church Development – Held a meeting on March 4 and invited new people who would be a good fit for the NCD teach. The three invited new members were Sue Bruneau, Nancy McPherson and Rich Hill. The team has designed an Event Planning Guide for groups to use for functions at the church. They also are starting to focus on Passionate Spirituality in small groups. Their next meeting is Tues, April 1. • The worship team and music committee will be meeting jointly to map out new worships themes and practices for the future.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cell Tower – Pastor Bill still needs to speak with the conference lawyers regarding possible tax consequences of the sale of the Sprint Lease. Also, Wireless Capital has also offered for buy the T Mobile lease for \$70,000. This has just happened and no real negotiations or details have been worked out as yet.
Sharing	
Pastor's Report	No Report
Director of Discipleship Report	<p>Carolyn reported that almost 50 people attended the New Families dinner and that it was both fun and informative. 30+ of those people were either new or had been attending less than 3 years. Several people are interested in membership and we did receive into membership 3 people the following Sunday. Also, a letter was sent to all the people who attending the scrapbooking event. "Dr. Bruce's" annual letter inviting people to worship with us on Easter is being hand delivered. Gift bags with information and candy will be handed out on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday to visitors. Carolyn also showed everyone the ad that will appear in the Daily Herald advertising all our Holy Week and Easter services. Carolyn also reported that it looks like the committee involved with the movie memorabilia will have to find an alternative to Ebay.</p>
Youth Director Report	<p>Marianne reported that over \$2,000 was mailed to World Vision and there are 4 young people that have not yet turned in their pledge money. A very, successful 30-hour famine in all respects! She also reported that the planning has begun to go to Mississippi this year to help in the relief efforts still going on after Hurricane Katrina. They are hopeful to add more people this year.</p>
Committees	
WTTF	No Report
Finance	No Report
Staff Parish	<p>Glenn reported that a meeting was held and the committee organized with Glenn and Tristan Alamazon as co-chairs. They have also reassigned the members to different staff as liaisons. They hope to do the Christmas gifts to staff on a more timely basis, to recommend the Finance Committee that a paid position for Sounds of Grace Director be funded and also that other part-time music positions become paid positions. They are also recommending that Christian Education needs a paid staff member and will review other volunteer positions in the church to see which would benefit from being converted to paid positions.</p>

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Micah Ministries	Pastor Bill reported on the meeting which was held on March 11. He reported that the Micah team will start sharing various social justice issues with the congregation starting on 4/13 and culminating on Mother's Day (5/11) where the congregation will be invited to write letters to their senators during the worship service.
Stewardship	No Report
Trustees	No Report
Nominations	No Report
UMW	Sherrie reported that their next meeting is 3/15 where members from the Mennonite Church will come and explain their religion. Also the rummage sale is scheduled for 5/9 and 5/10.
UMM	Continuing their Tony Dungy Bible study on Saturday mornings with usually 12 men.. 10 went to Habitat in March. Their day Habitat day is 4/19. They will be selling Pizza after Easter.
Evangelism	See Director of Discipleship Report
Education	Doug shared that they are considering alternate Sunday School options for 3/30 when a lot of teachers will be gone for Spring Break. They have yet to find someone to chair VBS in the summer. The Teacher Appreciation Dinner was held on 2/28 for teachers and family and was a total success.
Worship	No Report but Good Friday will have Tennebrae service but not the choir.
Music	Only the upcoming get together with Worship about future services. Also the Maundy Thursday choir offering called Colors of Grace. Also music Sunday will be may 18..
Lay Leader	Reminder that Palm Sunday is last Sunday to order Easter flowers.
Memorial Committee	No Report
Caring Ministries	No Report
Family Ministry	No Report but the Family Camping group has set their schedule for this year's camping dates.
Christian Corner	No Report
Next Meeting	April 17, 2008 at 7:15 PM
Closing Prayer and Meeting Adjourned	8:30 PM.
	Respectfully submitted – JoAnne Gregorash