

**OUR REDEEMER'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 15, 2008**

Attendees	Pastor Bill, Sherrie Cottrell, Rich Hill, Bruce Bedingfield, Glen Hollingsworth, Doug Meneely, Carolyn Meneely, Marianne Rogenski, Mary Knoppell and Cathy Mottar
Opening	Meeting called to order by Sherrie at 7:18 p.m. with an opening prayer.
Devotions	Sherrie read Jill's devotion "Just P.U.S.H." – The man in the story took his thoughts to the Lord in prayer, who shared with him to exercise his faith. PUSH =Pray Until Something Happens. Doug will provide June's devotion and Bruce will provide the August devotion.
Administration	Introduction Minutes of April meeting were approved. Carolyn motioned approval of the meeting notes as amended and Mary seconded the motion. The committee approved the motion.
Huddle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calendar – Sherrie requested changes be provided to her in the meeting and she will get them to Donna. • Movie Memorabilia – Carolyn provided an update: Thinking about a movie memorabilia night to have the goods displayed near the end of the summer on a Friday or Saturday night. Carolyn will discuss options with the Family Ministries committee on when and how to do a movie night. She also discussed with finance this project. Bruce made a motion that the funds from the movie memorabilia be sent to Richard Vales' WWJD ministry. Glen seconded the motion and the committee approved the motion. • Natural Church Development – Pastor Bill reported that there is another meeting coming soon. More focus on the small groups "Konia". The small group leaders (4-8 people) will be getting together beginning in June for training. Goal is for 4 new groups next fall and planning for that will begin later this month. More specifics to come next meeting. • Cell Tower – Pastor Bill "Hay is in the barn and the cows have ET" - Special thanks go to Harry Schlinker. Mortgage has been completely paid off. Need to meet with Finance and define proper communication to our congregation. It is primarily a wash – money in and money out - no extra funding. We need to determine how we celebrate. T-Mobile has made an offer as well. Currently, unsure if Finance has reviewed the offer. Pastor Bill will follow up with Finance. Pastor Bill made motion to accept the T-Mobile offer pending Finance approval. Doug seconded the motion. The committee approved the motion. • ORUMC Security– No update.

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Sharing	
Pastor's Report	The opportunities that may exist with ministries and worship. i.e. church growth over the next 5 – 10 years Think and pray about what future ministries mean to us.
Director of Discipleship Report	Carolyn reported: A nominations meeting is scheduled for the 29 th of the month. There is also an evangelism committee scheduled to focus on new member orientation, VBS, and Movie Memorabilia.
Youth Director Report	<p>Marianne reported: ASP retreat is this weekend so there will be many people at the church Friday night and Saturday morning (I have already talked to the scrapbookers about this) We are very excited to be helping out members of the congregation with our workday on Saturday. Youth groups will meet one last time, this Sunday, and then take a break until the fall. Over the summer the youth council will be looking for some new leaders for both groups—while I will continue to alternate between the two. Confirmation will most likely be in the evening next year with no Sunday morning class for the jr. high students. This will make it easier for those students to come to 633 and confirmation. There is one major event that the youth council is planning for the summer. The students would like to host a benefit concert here at church with Ember Days and possible 1-2 other student bands. It would be free admission but we would collect an offering. We are also talking about selling some food (using that popcorn machine!) and drinks. All proceeds from food, drinks, and offering would go to the organization called <i>To Write Love On Her Arms</i>. TWLOHA is a non-profit movement dedicated to presenting hope and finding help for those struggling with depression, addiction, self-injury and suicide. TWLOHA exists to encourage, inform, inspire, and also to invest directly into treatment and recovery. Depression and cutting are a big problem for jr. high and high school students and the youth of ORUMC want to help change that. For more information on the organization please visit their website at www.twloha.com. The 633 series for the summer, beginning June 1, is called Holy Spirit DNA. Do you have Holy Spirit DNA? Through this series, we will strive to understand the 6 names of God given to us in the Old Testament which gives us a framework for understanding some of the key components that God wants us to understand about Him and our relationship with Him. We will also begin to understand what these names, these characteristics of God, mean to us today. They can help us to obtain and maintain our own Holy Spirit DNA!</p>

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WTTF	No Update																									
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Staff Parish	<p>Glen provided a report. – They have been meeting regularly. Currently, no significant staff issues or vacancies. Began discussions toward assessment of staffing needs relative to paid and volunteer staffing for 7 areas of our Church. They also provided a subjective performance ranking.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>Function</i></th> <th><i>Rank</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Missions/Ministries</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Worship</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fellowship</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Education</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pastoral Care</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Church Admin</td> <td>6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Evangelism/Outreach</td> <td>7</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Quality of worship was high; however, worship attendance is not growing. The committee has brought a motion for consideration to Admin Council and Finance: “Staff Parish proposes to add 5 paid part time positions:</p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Director of Sounds of Grace</td> <td>Sept to June</td> <td>Salary Range \$4,000 - \$5,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Director of Christian Education</td> <td>Year Round (Includes VBS)</td> <td>5-10 hours/week \$6,500 - \$13,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Children’s Choirs Directors (Cherubs/Joyful Noise, Accompanist, and Random Ringers)</td> <td>August to May</td> <td>\$900 each \$2,700 per year</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>These recommendations are in priority order, and the Children’s Choir personnel are a package. It is recommended that these positions be planned for in the fall of 2008.” The Music and Education representatives in the meeting, Carolyn and Doug, respectively stated that their committees are in full support of this motion. Pastor Bill did say that this has been discussed in meetings prior to bringing this motion. Hiring would begin once, Finance has approved this motion. The committee approved the motion to be taken to the Finance committee for approval. Discussion was raised about a second pastor (i.e. language and expansion of pastoral care in our community) and paying for volunteer services. The roles would need to be defined.</p>	<i>Function</i>	<i>Rank</i>	Missions/Ministries	1	Worship	1	Fellowship	3	Education	4	Pastoral Care	5	Church Admin	6	Evangelism/Outreach	7	Director of Sounds of Grace	Sept to June	Salary Range \$4,000 - \$5,000	Director of Christian Education	Year Round (Includes VBS)	5-10 hours/week \$6,500 - \$13,000	Children’s Choirs Directors (Cherubs/Joyful Noise, Accompanist, and Random Ringers)	August to May	\$900 each \$2,700 per year
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Micah Ministries	Bruce reported about the letter writing campaign on Sunday which 159 letters were written. The garden is also coming into effect soon depending on the weather.																									

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Stewardship	No Report
Trustees	No Report
Nominations	See DOD report – Doug will discuss forms in June.
UMW	Sherrie reported that the rummage sale is over and they made over \$4000 again. They are done until September.
UMM	No Report
Evangelism	No Report
Education	No Report
Lay Leader	No Report
Memorial Committee	Mary reported that June 1 st is consecration of the Narthex. They have met on a few suggestions. The committee does not do the research and estimate the costs.
Caring Ministries	There are new brochures.
Family Ministry	Doug reported that Gwen and Doug are co-chairing VBS – July 21-24, 2008 - Beach Party “Surfin’ Through the Scriptures” The leaders are not yet identified. He presented the program outline and leadership requirements. Sunday Teachers – Currently, no high school teacher for next school year. We are losing 3 of 4 teachers for K/1 st grades. They are discussing revamping the Wesley hall to make it more inviting. They hope to have a recommendation on that in the next month.
Christian Corner	No Report
Next Meeting	June 26, 2008 at 7:15 PM (There will be no meeting in July)
Closing Prayer and Meeting Adjourned	8:37 PM.
	Respectfully submitted – Cathy Mottar