

Brecksville United Methodist Church  
Board of Trustees  
August 17, 2010

In Attendance: Jim Fredrick, Bob Lundholm, Marisol Wylie, Pastor Karen Oehl, Kristi Eberhardt, Lynn Spencer, Leslie Miller, Ken Wise, Les Buttolph, Jamie Hocutt

Meeting opened with Pastor Karen offering prayer.

The minutes were approved as written.

Discussion on new vice-chair tabled till next meeting. Subcommittee assignments added are Ann Rittman – Secretary, Leslie Miller – Parsonage, Jamie Hocutt – Church Exterior and Parsonage, Kristi Eberhardt – Church Grounds

### **Financials**

Discussion on financials through July as submitted by Les, doing pretty well against budget for year to date. Notable items were kitchen repair which is over budget due to work on freezer and ovens.

### **Administrative**

Discussion on building fund, Karen reported Finance Committee looking at increasing Trustee budget to cover repair items that are currently not being funded in Trustees budget. Using estimate of expenditures tabulation as a guide. Jim to work with Shelly Meek to better understand this as 2011 budget process gets underway.

Marisol expressed concerns over having pets in the sanctuary during the pet blessing service on August 15, reported a number of concerns were expressed to her. These concerns will be taken to Worship Committee.

### **Church Grounds**

Jim reports checking into parking lot property line issue with regards to shed modification for Boy Scouts, has come up with a lot of detail. Jim worked with Alan Scheufler and determined while the property line is in the parking lot there is a permanent Easement for BUMC use. The line appears to have been put there to allow Chippewa Place to be built where it is. Jim will now work with Brecksville on getting requested changes to shed approved and will then move ahead. Scouts are covering costs of this work.

Bill Webb would like to wait on mulch till next year, consider as a Spring 2011 project. An expression of appreciation to Scott Campbell for organizing and all mowing volunteers for their work on grounds this year to be considered at next meeting.

### **Church Exterior**

Request made to Finance and Ad Board for money to do gutter work and exterior painting. Gutter work is about \$5,000 and painting is about \$15,000. \$20,000 from general reserve has been approved. Bob will work with Wilham roofing and CertaPro

painters on getting this work scheduled and completed. Question if the lights on the bell tower illuminating the cross are the correct bulbs or aimed properly, Bob will review with Jeff Hastings.

Sign lighting still being considered for repair.

### **Parsonage**

Spare lawn mower from Church moved to parsonage and it seems to be working fine. Les to work on getting mulch for parsonage. Karen advised there is tree trimming that needs to be done. We will work on bids to get this done as it will need a professional. Ken will contact person for parsonage gutter cleaning.

### **Church Interior**

The fire suppression system for above the stove in the main kitchen is in process, should be completed August 27.

Sanctuary windows have made great progress, 6 in. Last window will be installed August 23 weather permitting. Front left window has internal muntin issues, Pella remaking and Gunton will install new sash in about a month, under warranty. Blinds will be installed Tuesday August 24, total cost about \$1500. Gunton will need to reinstall blind on new sash when installed.

We discussed some of the “extra” items at the bottom of the agenda and explained them to new members of Trustees.

Bob reported that Bill Rittman had a speaker from NEORSD for Kiwanis (meet at BUMC) and that speaker estimated the new storm water fee that NEORSD is pushing might be \$2,000 per year for BUMC. This is still not final but something we may need to budget for.

Agenda item for next meeting should be fall clean-up of grounds.

Les closed with prayer.

Next meeting scheduled for 7:30PM September 21.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bob Lundholm