

## **Brecksville UMC Administrative Board Minutes -- July 12, 2011**

In attendance: Bob Andree, Jason Bell, Carole Brachna, Penny Burns, Les Buttolph, Sandy Crist, John Dietrich, George Diver, Jack Drescher, Jim Fredrick, Liz Fredrick, Jenny Gee, Kathy Goebel, Sue Hastings, Phil Hines, Lynn Hobzek, Jamie Hocutt, Ruth Holmes, Janet Kleckner, Sherry Klodnick, Shelly Meek, Kay Mendlik, Matt Nelson, Karen Schroedel, Cristy Shumaker, Lynn Spencer, Clark Stein, Bob Wuerth, Joyce Wuerth.

Sue Hastings called the meeting to order and opened in prayer at 7 pm.

\* Minutes of April 12, 2011 Administrative Board meeting/Charge Conference were corrected with respect to the UMW entry and approved. The corrected version will be recirculated by Sue Hastings via the "Minutes" distribution list.

### **\* Lay Leadership – Clark Stein**

The Committee's recommended slate was corrected to reflect Jim Fredrick as the Scouts Coordinator and was unanimously approved.

### **\* Finance – Jason Bell, Shelly Meek and Les Buttolph**

Jason Bell shared the report. The General Reserve Fund stands at \$82,874. As a result of the generosity of members who have pledge/contributed additional funds and new member pledges, the 2011 budget reflects an additional \$26,891 in pledges, allowing the Committee to present a revised balanced budget for 2011 (as opposed to the deficit budget approved on January 11, 2011). The additional revenues were allocated to Church Administration to cover fixed contractual costs of the church, and to Trustees and Christian Education because of some unanticipated costs that were not covered in the initial budget. Should additional revenues be received, Finance will present to the Board its recommendations regarding how the funds will be allocated. [Karen Schroedel voiced a concern about the Music Board's reduced budget and the impact on the ability to purchase music and requested that be considered if additional funds become available]. The Board unanimously approved the revised, balanced budget.

### **\* Trustees - Jim Fredrick**

- work at the parsonage was completed prior to the arrival of Clark and Kathy Stein.
- we continue to have issues with the fire alarm system. It periodically goes off without any explanation. Per the contractor, it is a new system and they are still trying to determine the cause of the false alarms.
- the spotlights in the ceiling above the Sanctuary are a work in progress, and when we have cooler temperatures (thus a cooler attic in which to work), the remaining spots will be fixed.
- the irrigation system has been brought up to code, per requirements of the Cleveland Water Dept.

### **UMW – Sandy Crist (on behalf of Ruth Herman)**

UMW shared a special thanks to all who helped with the Cherry Cobbler event at Fair on the Square, including those who helped prepare the food, set up/tear down, and work the booths. A very special thank you to both Mary Kotnick (and the Kotnick family) and Ruth Herman who spent most waking moments on the event. Net profits exceeded \$4,200.

**\* Missions - Janet Kleckner (on behalf of Alan Scheufler)**

Shared a reminder that mission is not just about funds and giving monies, but also giving of time. We were encouraged to participate in ongoing mission activities or seek out opportunities to give of our time.

**\* Christian Education – Jenny Gee**

Jenny asked for prayers for all participating in VBS, starting next week. She also shared the Child Protection Policy was being reviewed/revise by the committee and would later be shared with the Board via the “Minutes” distribution list. Jenny also noted that 2 activities that are not technically “education” related (formerly handled by Koinonia) – the pancake breakfast and ice cream social, have fallen within her budget and area of responsibility. While she is hopeful a more appropriate committee will take these events on, if they stay in education she requested that her budget be adjusted so the funds do not detract from curriculum or educational materials.

\* No other committee chairs had information to highlight or report at this time. The Board is reminded that minutes from each of the committees are posted via the “Minutes” distribution list or are otherwise available upon request.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Next meeting: October 11, 2011, 7:00 pm. (may be changed to accommodate Charge Conference)

Respectfully submitted, Sherry Klodnick