

Minutes of Pierce Chapel UMC Administrative Council Meeting

May 15, 2017

The Pierce Chapel UMC Administrative Council met on Monday at May 15, 2017 at 7:00 pm. Jennifer Mason, Chairperson, opened the meeting with a prayer. Jennifer lit a candle (presence of the Holy Spirit) and passed around a cross (pray for the topic of discussion). She then read the ground rules and asked everyone to join in reading the HEART principles. Jennifer then read our mission statement.

The minutes from the March 13, 2017 meeting were approved as printed/emailed.

Robby Jones Finance Committee Chairperson gave a brief financial report. As of the end of April the numbers look good. He noted that there was an extra Sunday in April this year. We received \$51,190 more than was budgeted. In general we received more and spent less than was budgeted. There was an expense of around \$750 to have one of the septic tanks pumped out. The Building by Faith fund received less than budgeted but it was enough to cover the monthly payment.

Lynn Meadows-White presented the revised Volunteer Application Packet for those persons interested in working with children or youth at Pierce Chapel. After much discussion of the Christian Lifestyle Covenant the packet was approved by consensus of the Administrative Council.

Howard White gave a brief pastor's report.

- Wednesday night suppers will remain in place.
- May 17 will be the last supper for the school year.
- May 24 there will be a "bring your own supper" and time to discuss with Howard the future Wednesday night suppers.
- June 2 & 3 there will be a Prayer Conference held at Upatoi United Methodist Church.
- May 30 Howard and Lynn will attend their last coaching session in Savannah.
- June 4-7 is Annual Conference. Gail Lye and Joy McQuagg will attend for Pierce Chapel.
- June 12-16 is Vacation Bible School.
- We have hired a new part time youth minister, Jessica Stanley, who will work with middle school aged students.
- Lynn has been working on an application with the Young Clergy Academy. Its purpose is to help young adults to see if they are being called to the ministry. In partnership with the Children's Home, we have applied for someone who will work with the Children's Home and we will help with her supervision.

Howard closed the meeting at 8:20 with a prayer.

Valerie Paulk, Secretary