

**First United Methodist Church
Plymouth, IN
Board of Trustees
Minutes
of
April 12, 2010**

Trustee members in attendance at the Education Building were: Ben Clough, Ruth Crutchfield, Jim Easterday, Judy Guild, Beth Pinkerton and Dick Stinson. Also in attendance were Jim Causey, Church Council Chairperson, Bonnie Yeazel, lay leader and Dean Fager, Pastor.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Beth Pinkerton, at 6:30 P.M.
2. Jim Easterday presented devotions based upon Luke 12, v 6-7. Judy Guild will present devotions at the next meeting.
3. The minutes of the regular and combined meeting of March 8, 2010, were reviewed and discussed. Amendments were offered and upon motion by Ruth Crutchfield, seconded by Judy Guild, and unanimously passed, the minutes were approved as amended.
4. Purchase authorizations were presented as spreadsheets of accounts which were reviewed by the members.
5. The meeting turned to the **Information agenda**:
 - A. Maintenance Schedule: Trim Viburnum, Bayberry and Evergreens. Jim Easterday will ask John Finlay if he wishes to assist.
 - B. Holes in the back parking lot need patching. Norris can buy supplies and do the job. The Trustees recommend proceeding in that manner.
 - C. Does the parking lot need to be re-sealed this summer? Jim Easterday will inspect and seek quote, if appropriate.
 - D. Organ switch needs replacement. The Trustees ask the church secretary to contact David Skinner, organ installer, to accomplish that repair.
 - E. The exterior carpet on the Adams Street entrance to the Education Building needs replacement. Beth Pinkerton will investigate options.
 - F. The small NIPSCO bill each month is for the lift in the Sanctuary Building. Jim Easterday investigated and determined that the new meter on the east side of the Education Building is, despite what NIPSCO reports, the power feed for the education building elevator, not the Sanctuary lift.

- G. Leak over choir loft. Dick Stinson and Mike have investigated and it appears that the leak is caused by wind-blown rain coming in the roof vent. They intend to close off a portion of the vent to prevent leakage.
- H. Another pew at the back of the church is broken. Dick Stinson will brace the pew.
- I. Dick Stinson is completing a wooden picture rail for installation in the entry of the Church building. He will be installing the rail soon.
- J. Dick Stinson is working on a plugged gutter downspout in the alleyway. Project continues.

6. **Old Business:**

- A. Wireless microphones. Project on hold pending funding.
- B. Update on purchase of parsonage at 2001 Felix Place. The Church Conference yesterday approved the proposed purchase. It will proceed to closing. Loan Daily has reported that approximately \$135,000, less brokerage fees, will be available for the purchase. Chairperson Pinkerton reported that she has been approached by an unnamed donor concerning the possibility of another \$20,000 being donated to the project. The balance needed will probably be borrowed from the Church Conference funding.

7. **New Business:**

- A. There was no new business presented to this the meeting session, except information items noted.

8. **Building Use Requests:**

- A. A request has been submitted for the use of Fellowship Hall by Bonnie Roehrborn and Janet Smith on behalf of the Lakewood Nursery School for graduation ceremonies May 22, 2010, from 8 AM until 12 PM.

On motion by Ruth Crutchfield, seconded by Ben Clough and unanimously passed, the request was approved.

- 9. **Adjournment:** Upon motion duly made by Ben Clough, seconded by Ruth Crutchfield and unanimously passed, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:40 P.M. The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2010, at 6:30 P.M. in the Education Center.