

# United Ministry Council

The United Ministry Council met on February 27, 2008 in Asbury Hall at 7:30 p.m. Chairperson Nelson Price opened with a brief message and prayer.

Agenda was approved as presented.

Minutes were approved with one correction: Combined services of HOF & Traditional Worship would be on a trial basis for 4 months, February, March, April & May instead of 3 months as reported.

Youth report will be included in Jan Kennedy's Education report.

**Lay Leadership** - Rev. Jimmie Tatum discussed PlowPoint. Slate of officers will be ready by next Charge Conference.

**Trustees Ministry:** Edith Duncan reported on behalf of David Sumner. There has been a request to remove the modesty panel from the front on the pulpit side of the sanctuary to accommodate those in wheel chairs, walkers, etc. Also request on behalf of Helen Wehunt to park her car on Sunday mornings in the bus parking space since the bus parks in front of the sanctuary for the Wesley Pines residents. Request approved.

**Finance Ministry:** Tim Bell distributed copies of the 2008 budget and discussed line items. Made motion to approve as presented. Motion approved. He asked committees to prepare a narrative budget and send to Finance Committee. January & February line items discussed and will look different this year. Asked committees to spend cautiously although out of the freeze. Beth Sigmon, Girl Scout Coordinator, requested to hold a fund-raiser on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Approved. Fifth Sunday, March 30: It was suggested a potato bar with salad luncheon be held after worship service to welcome newest members & confirmands. Jan will check with Nancy Compton.

**Education Ministry:** Old Business

Jan Kennedy reported on behalf of Mary Lamm. Lunch n'Fun has started up again. Henrietta Nance has donated some toys and equipment to be used. A thank you note was sent to her.

New Directions S/S Class will be responsible for the Feed the Hungry on Saturday, Feb. 23. Wesley Friendship Class will be responsible for March 29. Information on the services at RCCC will be placed on the tables during this time.

Children Council will meet on March 9.

**Youth Ministry** - Anthony Dent reported that the Spaghetti dinner was successful. Other youth activities are still ongoing except the Guy's Retreat. Dates given are: The Living Last Supper - March 20; Camping Trip - April 12 - 13; Thirty-hour Famine April 25-26; Contributors Dinner May 18; VBS June 15-18 and Mission Trip July 12-19.

He suggested we pursue the idea of contacting students at UNCP about activities at CSUMC with the possibility of providing a bus for transportation to attend. Jan Kennedy will make some calls and report back.

**Education Ministry:** Frances Britt reported the need of a Nursery Coordinator. Have new students in that class and really need more teachers for that area. Also need a new Sunday School class for the young adults. Have 4 confirmands and classes are going well. They will go on the annual Duke trip on April 13 and Confirmation Sunday will be held on March 16.

February 28, Jan Kennedy, Edie Duncan and Frances Britt will be attending a meeting at Salem UMC in Fayetteville, NC.

Family Fun Day will be held on April 27.

Holy Week will be March 17 - 10.

**Senior Adults:** Jackie Utz reports that P.A.T. is going well and she continues to send out birthday cards.

**SAINTS:** The Senior Adult Ministry is offering a new ministry to our church. This ministry is a Health Ministry for everyone in CSUMC. There will be four retired senior adult nurses who have willingly accepted this call to be of service. They are: Jean Harris, Pat Horne, Jo Ann Falls and Joyce Musselwhite. One nurse will be on call for a week each month to answer your health questions and advise you. They will be on call from 8:00 a.m until 4:00 p.m. daily. This ministry will be call SAINTS meaning Sharing Answers Involving Nurses Technical Services. Their ministry will begin in March. Their schedule is: March 2 - 8 Pat Horne; March 9 - 15 Jean Harris; March 16 - 22 Jo Ann Falls; March 23 - 29 Joyce Musselwhite

**Pastor's Report:** Confirmation classes went well with four youth attending. Confirmation Sunday will be on Easter Sunday, March 16, 2008. Duke trip is scheduled for April 13. Jimmie will be leaving from trip to go to Lake Junaluska for *ALBANA* workshop.

**WARM:** Standard Housing for People in 3 counties: Scotland, Richmond, & Robeson County. Outreach Ministry in hands of pastors. Resource with be a list of services will be placed at all churches for people with needs can get help. Will be working with youth at risk. Twenty youth have been chosen to go to training. Programs will be presented at St. Luke's UMC in Laurinburg on March 8, 9:00am to 12:00 pm.

Edith Duncan reported immediate work needed on the parsonage: roof damage, siding coming off, etc.

Motion made by Tim Bell and seconded by Mitch Mitchell to start mailing the Nutshell weekly instead of monthly as when the spend freeze was in effect. Motion approved. After discussion it was left to the discretionary of the secretary to decide when weekly mailings would begin but could be no later than April 1.

Compensation was discussed on substitutions for organist when out on sick leave. After discussion, a motion was made that Staff Support Ministry would work with Finance Ministry to consider compensation for staff filling in when another staff member is out on sick leave. Next Staff Support meeting is scheduled for March 9.

Rev. Jimmie Tatum asked for comments on combining two worship services - HOF & Traditional service.

Recommended that ushers stand out front of sanctuary to welcome and seat guest and members.

Discussed time limited for Sunday School since combined services start at 10:30. Would be up to each Sunday School class to decide whether to begin classes earlier.

Methodist Men stated their 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday breakfast attendance would probably be better with worship services at 10:30.

Worship time change working well and purpose is to have people feel a part of the church.

Pastor's salary: Jimmie stated that the Staff Support Committee is working on this situation.

Meeting dismissed with prayer by Rev. Jimmie Tatum at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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