

WEST DOVER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES May 11, 2010

Present: Rev. Emily Carrington Heath (Pastor) Charlotte Bond (LKG), Chuck Gentilin (Mod.), Alan Jones (Trustee), Richard Severance (Trustee), Leni Brown (Deacon), Louise Severance (Deacon), and Jill Gentilin (Clerk)

Opening: The meeting was called to order at 5 PM. Emily led us in prayer. The minutes were approved with one correction. The last line was incomplete, and should have read "the Council decided to move the Spring Meeting to May 16".

Treasurer: In Laurel's absence Jill read her report into the record. "We currently have \$4400 available in the checking account and all bills are up to date. The computer has been sent out to the 'Geeks' for maintenance and to see if there is enough memory for a new copier/printer. If it is made available for others to use the financial data could be password protected."

Alan offered to donate a printer. We appreciated the offer and accepted it. This does not solve the problem of having a copier that would print out the bulletins. Alan said he would check for prices at Staples and buy one that met both Emily's and Laurel's needs. It was decided to keep this in the office downstairs.

Deacons: Leni said the Deacons have decided to buy a sign board to be placed outside the church.

LKG: Charlotte said that Mindy has taken responsibility for the May sale. She has done advertising and set up dates for collection. She plans to have some small tents outside and music. The LKG will sell hotdogs and baked goods. They plan to visit Nell in June. Anyone who would like to join them for this trip is welcome. The date for the July luncheon is still to be decided.

Trustees: Alan said the plans for the Spring Meeting include work in the garden, cleaning of the sanctuary, removing the butterflies and cleaning the kitchen.

He hopes to organize painting of the Narthex in June.

There is some mold in the basement and both dehumidifiers have been put to work. He asked that anyone that is doing something in the Activity Room to look at the dehumidifiers and make sure they are turned to optimal use. The grease trap in the kitchen has been replaced and he will have a salvage dealer pick up the old one.

Pastor: Emily has been to see Elinor who had a knee replacement.

She has been sending a newsletter to those who have e-mail and making copies for others available in the Narthex. The church is also on Face book. Future editions will include the minutes.

She has also attended UCC association meetings,

Emily plans office hours at the church starting with Wednesday after coffee so that she is available if anyone would like to meet with her.

Children's sermons are planned for inclusion in the worship service when there are children are present.

Jill expressed her hope that Sunday school can be revived.

Spring Meeting: Randy Schoonmaker will do a presentation on the state of our finances and reserve funds. Emily plans to hold discussion meetings on Stewardship in the fall.

See Trustees report for planned activities for the Spring Meeting.

Jill asked for permission to order some mulch and it was granted.

The meeting was closed with a prayer by Emily

Respectively submitted

Jill Gentilin

These minutes have not been approved.