

Hilltop United Methodist Church
Administrative Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 25, 2018, 6:30 pm

Present: Allison Bass, Kelly McCuaig, Paulette Booker, Kerry Rausch, Don Putzier, Judy Argetsinger, Michelle Behsman, Ashley Goltermann, Karin Gavin, Shannon McCuaig.

The meeting was opened in prayer by Allison Bass.

Pastor's Report: Kelly asked Don Putzier to share with the council his thoughts on the first MCCI townhall. All council members present were then asked to share any thoughts, concerns or questions about the MCCI report.

Approval of minutes: Minutes from the last meeting on Sept. 20 2018, were available for review. A motion was made by Don Putzier to approve the minutes as presented. Judy Argetsinger seconded. The motion passed.

Youth/Campus: Ashley reported that the Wesley House was open Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and she praised Peter and Alyssa for truly being Jesus to the students that stop in to visit. There is a regular group of approximately twenty students that participate in Sunday evening meetings at Hilltop, but they have contact with just over sixty students. The Wesley has developed three leadership teams that were formed around the UMC scriptural imperatives—Grow, Reach, and Heal. The Heal team has already envisioned ways they can heal a broken world by hosting a Teal Trunk or Treat for youth with allergies and serving at the OCC processing center.

The Wesley Foundation worships monthly on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at the Wesley House and Ashley encouraged Hilltop to attend worship or stop by the Wesley House during regular hours.

Ashley reported that there were twenty youth attending each Wednesday night along with five adult mentors. The students chose the name RISE for their group and they have adopted Hebrew 10:24-25 as a theme in creating intentional community.

Upward: Paulette Booker reported that the artistic illustration team is planning for Advent.

Outward: Shannon shared that a team had served a meal at the Salvation Army and they learned that they would no longer be able to cook offsite. The Outward team is in support of Christmas Festival funds going to the Connections Ministry for the homeless.

Finance: Kerry Rausch reported that YTD expenditures were \$271,006.28 and YTD income was \$260,124.86. Checking balance at the beginning of the year was \$52,053.15. The checking balance at the end of September was \$41,171.73. \$40,490.19 is designated for various missions, leaving a working general fund balance of \$20,681.54. She reported that expenses are higher than income due to growth in staffing and she provided a line chart of income trends and concluded that general giving income has been consistent. Paulette Booker made a motion to approve the finance report. Don Putzier seconded. The motion carried.

Parish Nurse: Judy Argetsinger reported 26 units of blood were collected at the blood drive on Oct. 23rd. She replaced the defibrillator battery and is going to bring in a new first aid kit.

Technology: Don Putzier reported that Holly Aasen would manage the mobile church directory.

New Business: Judy Argetsinger brought up concerns about the change in worship times for MCCI Sundays and the Mankato Marathon. It was followed by discussion

Allison Bass closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Behsman.