
Monthly Trustee Meeting Minutes

North United Methodist Church
10 March 2021

In Attendance: Jeff Bonner, Kathleen Custer, Andy Hein, Sarah Galloway, John Hughes, Julie Eggert, Chuck Teague

Absent: Deb Hinterliter-Lewis, Steve Balko

Reflection/Prayer: Jeff

January Meeting Minutes previously approved, no February Meeting

Projects for 2021

- Parlor/Restroom/Conference Rooms (Andy)
 - o Plans approved by the city. Permits are moving along.
 - o Parlor: Due to fire code, the door cannot be moved to line up with the hallway. It would change the capacity of the room and require us to add another door. Instead of a door, a window looking into the parlor will be installed to line up with the hallway. Existing doors will remain.
 - o Andy met with Stenz Construction representatives and sub-contractor representatives. Prelim bids from sub-contractors due to Stenz March 22. If all goes as expected, demo to start the week after Easter. Work will take about 3 months post demo. NOTE: Spence has a lot of experience with church construction.
 - o Communication to the congregation needs to occur soon, perhaps once all is approved. Chuck to ask Linda Mansfield to put together a communication that she will send to us to review. This can go on the website and in the newsletter. Darren could also communicate it during an upcoming Sunday service.
 - o Volunteers will be needed to pack up and move everything out of the kitchen and determine what to keep. Decisions need to be made regarding furniture in the parlor. The piano is being donated to East 10th St. UMC.
 - o During the renovation, Project Transformation will use the second floor and still have access to the restrooms by the Chapel. As more people begin to use the building, we will have more signage.
- Pastor Darren's Office and surrounding area to be painted
 - o Quote from Warrenburg Painting, LLC is for \$6415.00.
 - o Includes primer and two coats of paint on the South Bell Tower stairs and Pastor's office, damaged plaster to be patched and repaired.
 - o Trustees approve.
- Thriving Faith Community (Jeff Bonner, Green Team)
 - o Thriving Faith Community (<https://hoosieripl.org/thriving-faith-communities/>) is a group that audits organizations/churches to determine what things can be done with utility bills to find ways to save money and be more sustainable.
 - o Requires a 3-year commitment at \$200/year (Green Team budget)
 - o Ideas are shared between organizations to help with sustainability.
 - o Any suggestions to make changes to the building would need to come to the Trustees for approval.

- Trustees recommend waiting to start this after we finish construction and begin to occupy the building. The data from the last year and during construction will not be representative.

Tuesday Crew-no new updates

Landscape Crew

- Coordinating with Green Team (GT), GT to take lead (Jeff)
 - Still trying to nail down the GT to take responsibility for landscape maintenance
 - Need to revisit plantings around the perimeter of the building, determine what stays and what goes, improve the lawn in the courtyard, and determine if we need to add mulch.
 - Will request Beth quote replacement of roses and suggest new plantings.
- Update on Beth Porter's plan for landscaping around the new sign (Kathleen)
 - Beth sent a quote of approx. \$10,000 for plantings and a stone raised bed.
 - Trustees would like some updated drawings in order to better understand the placement and height of the stone wall and location of the plants.
 - Trustees approved a budget not to exceed \$10,000.

AOB

- Dumpster gates need to be replaced. Trash removal people have damaged them. Chuck to have them replaced and perhaps put wheels on them.
- Missing banner was intentionally taken down due to complaints about one of the symbols on it. It will be replaced with a different banner.
- AV team is working toward putting cameras in the Chapel. One will be mobile. They plan to run cables in preparation for this. Avoiding drilling into the newly refinished floor. No news on location of control/console area. Andy and Jeff Linnan are trying to move them toward the area under the balcony in the southeast corner. NOTE: as per John Drake, the Trustees budget is responsible only for cabling. The rest of the AV equipment comes out of the operational budget.

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Wrap-up and next meeting Information

Next Meeting: April 14, 2021