

**Agenda**  
**North United Methodist Church, Inc.**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**June 25, 2025, 5:30 pm**  
(In Person Meeting)

***Members***

Kathy Gifford, Chair  
Perry Kea, Vice Chair  
Karen Horizny, Secretary  
Mark Grove, Treasurer  
Eric Lekberg (LL/MC)  
Eric Oehler (Trustees)

***Ex Officio***

Shawn Denney (Finance)  
Jeff Warbinton (SPRC)  
Jacqueline Blackwell (At large)  
Garland Graves (At large)  
Lyn Berkebile (AC Delegate)

Darren Cushman Wood

1. Members Present: Kathy Gifford, Perry Kea, Karen Horiszny, Jeff Warbinton, Garland Graves, Darren Cushman Wood, Lyn Berkebile
  - Guest Present: Haven Emery, Intern
  - Virtual attendees: Mark Grove, Eric Oehler, Jacqueline Blackwell
2. A motion was made by Lyn Berkebile and seconded by Mark Grove to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2025, Board meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.
3. Information was provided for signing up for the morning message, volunteers are needed!
4. Darren provided an update on the North Church affordable housing missional vision
  - The mission approved in 2017 is being modified based on knowledge gained during the Front Porch Series lecture last November
  - Focus group discussion feedback indicates the following changes are acceptable
  - The project would not include a grocery store
  - The buildings would include multi-use areas on the ground level and affordable housing on upper levels, and it would be shifted to be on 39<sup>th</sup> Street
  - The existing flower shop area on 38<sup>th</sup> Street would be developed into parking
  - It is desired to enter into a partnership with MFCDC (Mapleton Fall Creek Development Committee)
  - Darren will circulate a motion proposed by Land Development Committee to the Board to vote on by email
5. Sacred Places fund-raising update

- We have achieved our fundraising goal and are in the process of collecting

6. Additional Senior Pastor updates and announcements

- Stewardship Committee is working on a document called Faith Works that would be a non-pledge appeal to select groups showcasing our impact on the Community
- The Faith Works appeal will come to an end no later than September so the on-line portal can be switched over to the Stewardship Campaign

7. Other Business Updates:

- Finance (Shawn)
  1. May financials have been provided to the Board
  2. The Board was reminded that Summer is a slow time for giving and we had a big intake at the beginning of the year
- SPRC (Jeff W.)
  1. Jeff Linann was given extra time for recovery, we will continue to assess when he can return to full time
- Trustees (Eric O.)
  1. The water issue cost less than originally thought
  2. Flashing repairs in the courtyard and on west portico have been completed
  3. HVAC units have been ordered but have not come in
    1. A loan may be required until next year’s endowment distribution is received.

8. New/Other Business

- A motion was made by Jeff Warbinton and seconded by Garland Gravels to cancel the July meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 PM.

**Meetings Scheduled for 2025 – trying to cancel July**

January 22, 2025	April 23, 2025	July 23, 2025	October 22, 2025
February 26, 2025	May 28, 2025 -- Cancelled	August 27, 2025	*November 26, 2025
March 26, 2025	June 25, 2025	September 24, 2025	*December 24, 2025

*\*Subject to change*

The minutes have been submitted by Karen Horiszny, Secretary.