

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – MINUTES
Ely United Methodist Church

April 17, 2013
Number Present: 11

Chairman Jay Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Pastor Dana Thompson began the meeting with an Opening Thought of “*The Upper Room*” message of the day, followed by an opening prayer.

The Minutes of the March 20, 2013 Ad Council meeting were approved as printed in the April 2013 Church Newsletter.

The **Treasurer’s Reports** for February, 2013 was presented by Treasurer Mark Olson. The report was highlighted. The February, 2013 end of the month account balances - General Fund: \$5,152.50; Building Fund: \$5,470.94; Reserve Fund \$5,005.58; Memorial Fund: \$10,492.59

The **Board of Trustees** met on April 1, 2013. Trustee members will be replacing the ceiling above the stairs in the near future. The decision was made to try having volunteers sign up do the sidewalk snow removal in winter, and the church lawn maintenance during the growing season. The Lawn Maintenance Volunteer sign-up sheet and guidelines are posted on the bulletin board. The Ad Council approved the Trustee’s purchase/acquisition of a power lawnmower and string trimmer, to be kept in the Church Garage.

The **Memorial Fund Task Force** will meet on May 7, 2013.

The **Outreach Committee** will serve after Church coffee on Sunday, May 12, in celebration of Church Quilting Group’s 10th Anniversary.

Old Business

1. **Church Insurance Agency Corp (CIAC).** – A multi-peril insurance quote was received from CIAC that was far in excess of our current premium paid to Grinnell Mutual. No change will be made.
2. The Church has purchased two cordless telephones and a new answering machine. The Church telephone number remains the same.

New Business

1. Jay Tomlinson reported the **April Pasty Making** produced 880 pasties, with net income of \$3,956.64.
2. The pay for guest Sunday service leaders was increased from \$50 to \$75. This rate is now comparable with that of other churches in Ely.
3. The Ad. Council authorized the Trustees to purchase a power lawnmower and string trimmer.
4. The Church will be collecting donations for our Minnesota Annual Conference “**Love Offering**” on Sunday, May 26, 2013 for the Minnesota Annual Conference. Lucy Diesslin, Lay Delegate, requested the Ad. Council guarantee our Church’s annual Conference “Love Offering” will be at least \$150. Approved.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. A ‘Thank You’ letter was received for the Church’s Lenten Supper proceeds donation to The Ely Food Shelf.
2. A ‘Thank You’ letter was received for the Church’s Lenten Supper proceeds donation to Northwoods Hospice Respite Partners.
3. A ‘Thank You’ letter was received for monetary support pledges to Ely Young Life members participating in the city-wide clean-up and attending Young Life Camp.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION

1. Church members are invited to a farewell gathering for retiring District Superintendent Allen Bolte, at Grand Rapids UMC on Sunday, May 18, 2013, 2-4 PM.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

The meeting was closed by those attending reciting “***The Lords Prayer***”.

Respectfully Submitted,
Blaine “Butch” Diesslin