

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – MINUTES
Ely United Methodist Church

May 16, 2012
Number Present: 8

Chairman Jay Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

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

The Minutes of the April 16, 2012 Ad Council meeting were approved as printed.

The **Treasurer’s Report** for April, 2012 was presented. All bills were paid to date. End of the month account balances - General Fund: \$5,098.49; Building Fund: \$10,998.20; Memorial Fund: \$11,220.05

The **Memorial Committee** met May 1, 2012

1. Delbert Smith donated the cost of the new library bookcase as a memorial to Judy Bradley Smith.
2. The \$1,750 given as memorials to Judy Bradley Smith will be given equally to NHRP, the Ely Food Shelf and to Birthright of Ely.
3. Sunday August 19, 2012 will be **Memorial Sunday**.

The **Education Committee** reported that Youth Sunday School will not meet June-August.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Church Website** – The Church received information from Gary Ritner, retired UMC clergy, about his website creation, maintenance and hosting service for \$150 annually. The Ad Council Approved using this service and establishing a Church website. Jay and Dana will follow up and proceed.
2. **Minnesota Annual Conference** registration fees have been paid for Church Delegate Lucy Diesslin and for Pastor Dana Thompson. Annual Conference is May 30-June 1, 2012 in St. Cloud.
3. **Building Improvements – Status** – A new door to the basement has been installed in the entryway; an additional electrical outlet has been installed in the nursery; the ceiling tile in the storeroom off the Sanctuary has been removed in preparation to install a vapor barrier, more insulation and new ceiling tile (the same will be done in the staircase); replacing the Parsonage steps is waiting on the pre-cast step unit to arrive; Kovall Construction has been contracted to repair the steeple siding, per their job schedule.
4. **Ecumenical College Meal** – Ely Ministerial is considering having an ecumenical welcoming meal in September for the students at Vermilion Community College.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **The Lenten Supper Donations** in the amount of \$275 will be divided equally and given to Northwoods Hospice and Respite Partners and the Ely Food Shelf.
2. **Ely Presbyterian Church – Co-sponsorship of “Jumpin’ Jehosafat’s” Concert, Friday August 10, 2012.** The Ad Council approved our church’s co-sponsorship of the concert.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. **Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance – Loss Control report.** The Church’s multi-peril insurance requires the Church to have additional written policies. Jay Tomlinson will contact the company for more information and direction on compliance.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION

1. **Women’s Friendship Dinner – Wednesday May 23, 5:30 PM.** Those planning on attending must notify Sharon Luthens by May20.
2. **Church Pot Luck Picnic, Sunday July 15, Following Church**
3. **Church Fire Extinguisher Annual Inspection Completed**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM.

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

Respectfully Submitted, Blaine “Butch” Diesslin