

Vice Chairman Keith Rue called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Attendees (7) – Dana T., Lucy D., Keith R., Margie O., Mark O., Butch D., Bob L.

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

The **Secretary’s Report** of the Minutes of the December 16, 2015 Ad Council meeting were approved as printed in “*The Fish*” Church newsletter for January 2016. Margie/Lucy

The **Treasurer’s Report** for December, 2015; and is also the annual spending report for 2015; was presented by Treasurer Mark Olson and accepted. The January end of the month account balances:

- Checking Account: General Fund Balance: \$8,540.27; Parish Health Funds: \$481.61; Reach-Renew-Rejoice Project Funds: \$56.00

- Building Fund Savings Account: \$24,973.08; Building Fund: \$21,973.08; Undesignated funds \$3,000

- Memorial Fund Savings Account: \$11,809.16

The Treasurer’s report was accepted. M/Lucy/S/Margie

The **Board of Trustees** reported that all of the old and badly worn folding tables have been removed from the Church Garage and taken to the solid waste transfer station.

The **Memorial Committee** will meet on February 2, 2016.

The **Outreach Committee** Chairperson Toni Floyd reminded everyone that the annual **National Wear Red Day** of the American Heart Association, is Friday, February 5, 2016. Wearing red that day will show support of the need for heart health awareness by women.

The **Visioning Committee** will be sponsoring a showing of the movie *War Room* on **Sunday, February 21, 2016, 2:00 P.M.** There will be a time of refreshments and discussion to follow. All are invited to participate.

Old Business

1. **New Church Directory - Update** – Jay Tomlinson has completed the layout of additional informational and Church Life pages for the directory and has sent them to the printer. The printer will finalize the page layouts and return a proof copy for approval prior to the printing the directories.
2. **Visioning Committee** – Continues to develop the proposal for a Care Ministries Team of volunteer congregation members.
3. **Church Furnace Replacement** – The Christmas-New Year holiday season, and cold weather placed a hold on the replacement of the church furnaces by Rusco Plumbing and Heating. Rusco Plumbing was going to order 2 new furnaces. The working furnace has kept the building warm.
4. **Ecumenical Prayer Service** – The Churches of Ely are jointly sponsoring a community-wide Ecumenical Prayer Service at St. Anthony’s Catholic Church, beginning at 7:00 P.M. on Sunday, January 24, 2016. The service will be followed by a time of refreshments and fellowship.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of new business.

CORRESPONDENCE

ITEMS OF INFORMATION

1. **LENTEN SUPPERS** – Begin on Thursday February 18, 2016.
2. **Ely UMC Lenten Supper** – Will be on Thursday, March 10, 2016 at St. Anthony’s Catholic Church Fellowship Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM.

The meeting was closed by those attending reciting **The Lord’s Prayer**.

Respectfully Submitted, Blaine “Butch” Diesslin, Ad Council Secretary