

Minutes for Blakemore UMC Leadership Board

Call to Order

A monthly meeting of the Blakemore UMC Leadership Board was held on January 11, 2015. It began at 6:30 p.m.

Attendees

Voting members in attendance included Ellen Zinkiewicz, Susan Slater, Zach Lalor, Cavit Cheshier, Carrie Friddell, Kristi Walker, Lisa Lewis, Deanna McCulley, Patty Tippens, and John Hill.

Other members in attendance included Marge Rajotte, Rosann Awbry, Yiwen Bi, and Ashley Kemper.

Approval of Minutes

No minutes were approved at the January meeting.

Officers' Reports

A Financial Report was presented by Ellen Zinkiewicz and Zach Lalor. Information regarding responsibilities and roles as they relate to church finances was discussed. Information regarding current church finances and potential budget cuts to allow expenses to match projected revenue was also discussed. The church will move forward with a formal capital campaign in the near future.

A Pastor's Report was presented by Rev. John Hill. The group discussed a small group lenten study to coincide with a lenten sermon series. Agreement on using the study [Hard to Dance with the Devil on Your Back](#).

A Trustees Report was presented by Cavit Cheshier. Information regarding updating the church's sexual misconduct insurance was discussed. Cavit and John will follow up with the Conference and outside groups for next steps.

A Welcoming Report was presented via e-mail by Korey Kemper. Small task force working on updating signage for directing visitors to various parts of within the church.

Main Motions

Motion to appoint Gayle Lempke as treasurer: Moved by Deanna McCulley and seconded by Lisa Lewis. The motion carried with unanimously.

Motion to accept a continuation 2016 budget as presented by the finance team. NO HIRES to be made before January 24: Moved by Cavit Cheshier and seconded by Kristi Walker. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to pay a total of \$10,000 toward apportionments for 2015 and to carry the remaining surplus over to the 2016 budget: Moved by Ellen Zinkiewicz and seconded by Deanna McCulley. The motion carried unanimously.

Announcements

A series of church-wide potluck lunch, called **Say Grace**, will be take place during the 2016 calendar year in hopes to connect the Leadership Board and the congregation. The first of these will take place January 24 following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. All are encouraged to attend.

The Blakemore Bash will take place February 20.

Secretary
[Organization Name]

Date of Approval

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.