

# Round Valley UMC

## Final Minutes for the

### Ad Council Meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Attendees included: Steve Wells, Lesley Wells, Rich Schultz, John MacKay, Nancy Plantikow, Marg Simpson, Pastor Sam, Gail Yusiewicz and Ben Yusiewicz

Ben opened the meeting with a prayer to the Holy Spirit

Ad Council acknowledged one (1) final amendment for the submitted October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. A final version will be sent out to all Council members and shared with the Congregation.

#### Trustee Committee:

- Completed cleaning out old Nursery Room to support Marlene's "card making activities".
- Water leaks under stairs and near front door.
  - Trustees continue to work on securing proposals and determine method of sealing.
- Fellowship Hall
  - Renovations: Trustees continue to work on securing proposals.
  - Replacement Freezer: Trustees will purchase and install a new 21.3 cu.ft. GE freezer from Home Depot. Trustees advised a 3 year service warranty plan **will not** be purchased as it is not economically practical.
- Electronic Church Bells
  - A Carillion system will be installed next Wednesday November 17<sup>th</sup>
    - Council agreed to initially pay the **\$8,332** total installed cost from RVUMC General Funds. The Hoffman Fund will then reimburse RVUMC General Funds for this purchase
    - Supporting both the Carillion and Alhabat projects, there is an additional expense of ~**\$2,500** for renting a lift from Fusco
- Hedge Row
  - Jim will handle the scheduling of this project with the Boy Scouts
- Bat Issue "2.0"
  - Alhabat will perform additionally required bat exclusion activities on November 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>
    - Initial cost was ~ **\$9,000** ; total cost then amended to **\$10,200**
  - Ehrlich will provide RVUMC a full refund of **\$4,400**
  - Trustees continue working on recommending a replacement exterminator servicing the entire RVUMC facility.
    - Replacement exterminator will be required to include inspecting both attic spaces
- Parking Lot
  - Trustees issued letter to our next door neighbor Scarponi-Bright Funeral Home regarding the Church's parking lot. Although there is a shared driveway entrance, approximately 90-95% of paved area is actually on Church property. When snow-plowing is required, RVUMC pays the **full** invoice. Trustees are seeking from the Funeral Home, **shared** snow removal costs when snow-plowing supports Funeral Home activities.
- Take-out Dinners
  - In lieu of hosting dinners, a brief discussion was held regarding *Take-Out Dinners*. No dates or menu have been set or agreed.

## Pastor's Report

- Bible Study
  - Will be held on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.
- Bound Brook UMC Love Offering **\$1,500**
  - Scheduled Sunday November 21<sup>st</sup>; Reverend Doh and Pastor McWilliam "Will" Colon will be present
  - John MacKay, Jim Walls and Ben will present Love Offering
- Decorate Church
  - Scheduled for Sunday November 28<sup>th</sup>
- Christmas Eve Service will be held at 11:00 pm
- The following Statistical Reporting will be due at the end of January '22
  - Pastor
  - Treasurer
  - Ad Council Members

## SPRC Report

- No required updates SPRC activities

## Finance Committee Report

- Gail provided a Profit & Loss Statement from January thru October 2021:
  - Net Income as of October 31, 2021 \$ 2,412.77
  - Checkbook Balance as of December 31, 2020 \$ 24,218.93
  - Checkbook Balance as of October 31,2021 **\$ 26,631.70**
    - Please note the following projected large *expenses* expected this month:
      - Replacement Freezer ~\$1,000.00
      - Lift Rental ~\$2,500.00
      - Carillion install \$8,332.00
      - Alhabat exclusion \$10,200.00
  - **Total** ~**\$22,032.00**

## Missions & Ministries

- United Way Helping Hands of Hunterdon County
  - Lesley previously shared information regarding this program in Church. In addition, the due date for participating is November 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Easton Mission
  - Lesley shared this program will probably not return to the pre-pandemic process. Perhaps an alternate is the Safe Harbor program.
- Missions
  - Missions current total account balance was not presented.

- Loaves of Love
  - Consistent with **September** Norwescap Reporting:
    - Total Recipients served 37
      - Adults 28
      - Children 9
    - Number of Families served 17
    - Bishops Meals 75 pounds
    - America's Grow-a Row 200 pounds
  - Also, Council approved a **\$250** donation supporting the Grow-A-Row program
- Cluttered Closet
  - October income reported as **~\$1500**
  - In addition, Marg also DM( direct messaging) with clients and advertises items placed on sale

#### **Old Business:**

- Proposed Book Donation Bin
  - Donation Bin is from New Legacy Books
    - Minimum monthly income of **\$40**
    - Potential additional income of **15%** of profits
  - Lesley suggested profits to support future Church Mission activities
- Counters
  - Although last month Council approved the reinstatement of counters, Lesley shared with Council tonight, if this was to occur, she would relinquish her current financial position. However, if the process remains current (no counters and Lesley is the sole counter and makes the deposit) she will remain in her current financial position.
- RVUMC Website needs to be updated.
  - Ben will contact John Patuto

#### **New Business:**

- Update Church Directory
  - John MacKay has volunteered to take this project
- Bound Brook UMC Recovery
  - Council gave Ben permission to have a discussion with Pastor McWilliam "Will" Colon about offering our Church Facility to BBUMC during the cold months

#### **Closing Prayer**

- Pastor Sam closed this meeting with a prayer

#### **Next Council Meeting**

- Proposed for Wednesday January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022