Leadership Council Minutes

4/22/24

Members Present: Rick Allison, Anne Atzinger, Denny Blessing, Jeff Buck, Kathy Heistand, Jack Mc Mahon, Audrey Miller, Kim Peters, John Thompson, Melissa Truelove, Jeff Wright

1. Jeff Buck opened the meeting with prayer and the council members discussed the Culture Statement.
2. Attendance Report--March
* Stones Crossing—Average Attendance for March is 263 (9am 192, 10:30am 63), FB 55, Sunday School/Life Group 160 (children 26, youth 4)
* Stones Crossing –Average Attendance year-to-date is 235 (9am 176, 10:30am 52), FB 57, Sunday School/Life 173 (children 22, youth 5)
* Trafalgar—Average Attendance for March is 46
* Trafalgar—Average Attendance year-to-date is 39
1. Town Hall
* The meeting was well attended and overall positive.
* Common questions raised were: Where are we going? What does the Global Methodist Church mean to me?
* Future town halls are scheduled for August 25 and November 10.
1. Pastor Report
* Mission Week kicked off on Sunday and the mission booth displays were well attended.
* The Fall Finance Campaign planning will begin soon. Celebration Sunday is September 29 and staff budgets are due by September 30.
* Beginning August 28, we will reinstitute Wednesday night meals and have different people share their witness.
* Mother’s Day Muffins with Mom invite cards will be our next event to invite someone too. The card includes a QR Code to send mom a Mother’s Day card.
* Each church in the Great Lakes Annual Conference gets one lay delegate for every pastor or retired pastor in the church. The first Annual Conference is scheduled for June 5-7, 2024.
* The Emmaus Movement is moving forward. The GMC is trying to discern how best to work together with Emmaus.
* Pastor Jeff and Julie appreciate how the church has reached out and supported them during the loss of Julie’s mom.
1. Financial Report—March
* The Stones Crossing Campus had a surplus of $5,150 for March and a year-to-date deficit of $(2,022).
* The Trafalgar Campus had a surplus of $3,440 for March and a year-to-date surplus of $1,606.
* The Daycare had a surplus of $12,167 for March and year-to-date deficit of $(5,172) due to the 5 payrolls in February.
1. Mount Auburn’s 200th Anniversary will be in September 2026. A planning team is being gathered and will be led by Mark Appleton.
2. The meeting adjourned and reconvened as the Staff Parish Relations Committee.