



# HUNTERSVILLE

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### Minutes of the Church Guidance Council (CGC) Meeting

August 4, 2024

1. The meeting was called to order at 11:30 am, Jackie Benhamin presiding. Present: Addria Capps, Krista Sipe, Natasha Stracener, Rick Finger, Joe Smith, Jessica Bowles, Rev. Paul Thompson, Betsy Burnell and Jeanie Welch. Jackie Benjamin lit the candle.
2. Pastor Paul led the spiritual formation discussion on John Wesley's three rules.
3. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as distributed. The minutes will not be up for approval at future meetings.
4. Jackie led the following discussion topics:
  - a. The Property Development Team has met with the developer for the third time; she will send out the presentation; selling four acres was discussed in relation to the Montessori school property being sold and a housing development being planned there; an enhanced sports ministry was discussed. Pastor Paul circulated a rendering of the current development concept and discussed how to utilize any proceeds from the sale of church property. Discussion followed. The next step will be for the developer to go the Huntersville town government concerning rezoning from residential to mixed use; Pastor Paul stated that the congregation must approve any land sale.
  - b. The fall retreat will be on October 12 and will include the new CGC members. Discussion followed on spiritual leadership.
  - c. Pastor's report—Pastor Paul discussed the Launch group for young families and the need for childcare during their activities. Discussion followed.
5. Spiritual leadership formation:
  - a. Jackie Benjamin distributed the results of the survey of the HUMC staff and CGC 8 characteristics survey. Pastor Paul spoke on the results of the questions on vibrant worship, innovative/adaptive and clear vision. Discussion followed. Jackie suggested having a discussion of the 8 characteristics on Sunday morning or at a dinner. Pastor Paul volunteered to host a meeting at his house on Wednesday, September 4 at 6:30.
6. New CGC buddies were assigned for staff members.
7. Chapter 2 of *Simple Governance* will be discussed at the next CGC meeting.
8. Jackie conducted a reading on redwood trees and their strength through connectivity.
9. Joe Smith led the closing prayer.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 1:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jeanie Welch*, Secretary