

## HUNTERSVILLE UMC (HUMC)

### Minutes of the Meeting of Church Guidance Council (CGC\_

January 8, 2023

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:04 pm, John McCann presiding. Present: Addria Capps, Steve Gilbert, John McMillan, Pastor Rod Arters, Charles Morrow, Rick Finger, Kim Trull, Natasha Stracener, Michele Brotherton, Lucas DeVore, Charmaine Stokes, DK Iannarino, Jackie Benjamin, Dwight Little, Tabitha Sarver, Edna Riggs, Betsy Burrell, Rhonda Hawkins, Margaret Prosko, Mike Prosko, Rev. Paul Thompson and Jeanie Welch.
2. John asked the attendees to relate a “God moment” that they had during the week.
3. The minutes of the meeting of December 10, 2022 were approved as distributed.
4. The 2022 preliminary financial report (previously distributed) was discussed, including the fact that HUMC made the 2022 budget, in spite of \$100,000 in unanticipated expenses.
5. Communications to the congregation were discussed, including what modes of communication should be used (see *Mission Possible*, p. 118).
6. Pastor’s report (previously distributed)—Pastor Paul reported that 10 days have been set aside for pastoral discussions of the UMC and human sexuality. He also referred to the *Mission Possible* template, including the following items for the CGC:
  - a. Creating a team for building maintenance and that the CGC were now the fiduciaries
  - b. No reading of reports during meetings
  - c. Revisiting the mission and vision statements
  - d. Accountability and empowerment
  - e. Having a holistic approach
  - f. Creating work teams
  - g. Using chapter 10 of *Mission Possible* as a motivational guide
  - h. Communication changes
  - i. Taking a “balcony view” and getting out of the weeds (e.g., how to handle the golf tournament)
  - j. The CGC being enablers.

Discussion followed.

7. John led a discussion of the mission and vision statements, including Steve Gilbert’s statement of the Huntersville UMC Mission and Vision Development Thoughts” (previously distributed). Discussion followed, including the possible need for new statements. It was moved and seconded that we need to review the statements. The motion passed. Pastor Paul reported that he will appoint a team to look at the statements and recommend new statements if they decide to do so. Betsy Burnell and Rhonda Hawkins volunteered for the team.
8. The UMW’s plan to build cabinets in the Fellowship Hall was tabled until the February meeting.
9. John led the discussion for goals for 2023, including the “rocks” from the December meeting. He listed the following items:
  - a. Community events with task forces to coordinate them
  - b. Sustainability—The land development study to be presented to the congregation in February
  - c. Education of the congregation on the UMC and human sexuality (see #6)

- d. Reevaluating the mission and vision statements
- e. Developing work teams

Discussion followed, including property maintenance, the parsonage (Hollie and Nancy are working on this), the budget, 4 questions for items to be brought to the CGC, the freedom to deviate from *Mission Possible*, and vital signs for HUMC. The CGC will be commissioned at the unity service on February 5.

- 10. The following items were tabled: the land development study, security during worship, the CGC covenant.
- 11.
- 12. The following reports were previously distributed: business, trustees, music and worship, tech production and social media, preschool and children and family ministries.
- 13. The next meeting is Sunday, January 29, noon, in the Fellowship Hall.
- 14. The CGC went into executive session.
- 15. Dwight Little closed the meeting with prayer.
- 16. The meeting was adjourned at 2:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanie Welch, Secretary