

FIRST UCC CONSISTORY MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 20, 2021

A meeting of the Consistory of First United Church of Christ was held on Monday, December 20, 2021. Present were Mike Coulson, Susan Stott, Karen Byers, Pat Frey, Barb Simonton, Dave Rohrer, Lisa Harrison, Pastor Chris Schwab, Dallas Bailey, Brian Gish and Gail Havens. Missing were Greg Lewis and Craig Kern.

Devotions were provided by Dallas Bailey.

The November 2021 Consistory minutes were approved by Pat Frey and seconded by Karen Byers. All approved.

Treasurers Report: Susan Stott reported Stewardship would be doing a rebalancing of the investment accounts on the advice of our financial adviser. The reports were approved on a motion by Pat Frey and seconded by Karen Byers. All approved.

Church & Ministry: A recommendation to continue with one service at 10:00 AM was made. Motion made by Dave Rohrer and seconded by Pat Frey. All approved.

Property Management: Dallas Bailey reported copper flashing had come loose on bell tower and had been fixed. One company (McClure Company) has given a proposal on replacing the air conditioning/heating unit. The cost would be \$200,000. This proposal would not replace the boiler at this time. It would replace the unit by Fellowship Hall and the other side of the building by the offices. Property is still considering getting other proposals. Dallas raised the question if Property was required to get other bids. A motion was made to authorize Property council to select one vendor without getting other bids. Motion made by Dallas and seconded by Dave Rohrer. Property hopes to have a formal recommendation to Consistory in January. There are several options to financing these costs along with the new sound system by using the building fund and cash reserves in the investment accounts. Filta will be coming on December 22, 2021 to sanitize the church before Christmas Eve services. We will continue using Filta as needed on a month to month basis.

Christian Education: Lisa Harrison reported 172 bags of cookies (8 per bag) were prepared and delivered to the Truck Stop Ministry.

Pastor Chris reported video had been installed for the new sound system, but we are waiting on the soundboard before the system can be used.

Old Business: The subject of policing the current mask wearing policy was brought up. A member of Consistory had been approached this past Sunday about a guest not properly wearing their mask. It was felt no one should have to police the congregation, but a reminder would be put in the bulleting on properly wearing a mask over the nose and mouth.

Discussion was held about capacity of people in the sanctuary on Christmas Eve. The maximum in the sanctuary including the balcony is 91. Any overflow will be directed to Fellowship Hall. Weather permitting, the candle lighting with the singing of Silent Night will be held on the plaza.

New Business: Some complaints had been received about not being able to get into the church 15 minutes after the service has started. Currently the door is locked and a note posted to call the office number. The note will

be changed to advise anyone being late to ring the bell. The person on office duty will grant them access. This will be posted in the monthly newsletter.

A request had come in from a widow in the church about possibility of some of the younger generation helping to clean books and other items of her late husband's out of the house. We don't have many youth, but it was felt we could possibly find volunteers among members who would be willing to help. The widow will be contacted to see exactly what is needed.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion from Pat Frey and seconded by Dave Rohrer. Next meeting will be Monday, January 17, 2022 at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Havens
Secretary of Consistory