



CAMP HILL UMC
CHURCH CONFERENCE

Minutes
November 29, 2018



The meeting was attended by 41 Camp Hill UMC members and five current or retired pastors. Harrisburg District representative: Rev. Karen Atanasoff.

Pastor Gary Weaver was the presiding elder and opened the meeting with prayer. He assured the attendees that starting next year the conference booklet will be made available to the congregation the week prior to the conference.

Rev. Karen Atanasoff presented a devotion focusing on unity.

A motion to accept the November 5, 2017 church conference minutes was made by Rich Long and seconded by Allen Maybee. Approved without objection.

A motion to accept the April 2, 2018 church conference minutes was made by Rich Long and seconded by Jon Seltenheim. Approved without objection.

A motion to accept the church audit performed by Jeff Stoner was made by Fred Powell and seconded by Marlyn Diehl. Approved without objection.

Next on the agenda was the Trustee Report. It was brought to the attention of the group that the investment report was not attached to the Trustee Report. While the report was located, Pastor Gary moved to the Pastor's Report on Membership.

Pastor Gary reviewed the additions to Camp Hill UMC membership. The deletions were then reviewed. Pastor Gary led a prayer for members who had passed away.

We then returned to the Trustee Report. A motion to accept the report was made by Steve Drachler and seconded by Marsha Banks. Approved without objection.

The names for year one members recommended for church conference action were presented. Attendees were asked to review the list and see if there are members on the list that should not be included. A motion to receive the people as year one residents for church conference action was made by Allen Maybee and seconded by Dave Mooney. Approved without objection.

The names for year two members recommended for church conference action were reviewed. Attendees were asked to review the list to see if there are any names on the list that should not be removed from membership. Pastor Anna and Pastor Gary read each name and called for a vote. All names were approved for removal.

Pastor Anna presided over the voting of leadership roles. First were nominees for the Unified Leadership Council. The three nominees were Kim Bedford, Jim Clahane and Stephen Hetrick. Pastor Jack Grove took a moment to recognize the three members of the ULC who are leaving: Susan Pigott, Brad Fetrow and Rich Long. The attendees recognized their service to our church. There was discussion about the nomination process. After discussion, a motion



to vote on the nominees one at a time was made by Jim Bateman and seconded by Ann Huff. After discussion, Ann Huff called for the question. Her motion was seconded. The motion to call the question carried. A vote was then called on Jim Bateman's motion to vote on nominees individually. The motion did not pass.

A motion was made to elect Kim Bedford, Jim Clahane and Stephen Hetrick to the ULC class of 2021 by Allen Maybee and seconded by Jon Seltenheim. Approved without objection.

A motion to elect Denise Burkhardt, Jen Kapp and Maynard Stufft to the Nomination and Leadership team was made by Fred Powell and seconded by Rich Long. Approved without objection.

A motion was made to elect Marsha Banks, Jim Clahane and Jon Seltenheim to be lay members to Annual Conference with Kim Bedford, Don Powell and Kim Losh as alternates by Rich Long. The motion was seconded by Frank Flamini. Approved without objection.

Pastor Anna reviewed the materials about the General Conference to be held in February. The three plans developed by the Commission on a Way Forward were briefly discussed. Pastor Anna will represent the Susquehanna Conference at the General Conference. Pastor Gary led prayer to support Pastor Anna in her role as a General Conference delegate to the 2019 Special General Conference.

Pastor Gary reviewed the Annual Parsonage Inspections. He expressed his gratitude for the work that was done to prepare the Fineview parsonage for his arrival.

Jon Seltenheim led discussion on pastoral compensation. The ULC unanimously decided to give Pastor Gary a 1% raise, Pastor Sharon Miller a 2% raise and Pastor Anna a 3% raise. Jon explained how the ULC came to a decision to give Pastor Anna a one time \$5,000 payment for the work she did this year during the transition to the simplified structure and new lead pastor. Pastor Gary has decided not to take his increase.

A motion to accept the pastoral salaries including the \$5,000 bonus was made by Rich Long and seconded by Dave Mooney. The vote was called and passed.

A motion to add Pastor Gary's 1% raise back into his salary was made by Jim Bateman and seconded by Steve Drachler. Approved without objection.

A motion to affirm the salary package which includes Pastor Gary's raise was made by Frank Flamini and seconded by Rich Long. Approved without objection.

The next order of business was the approval of the housing allowance tax exclusion for Pastor Gary and Pastor Anna. A motion was made to accept the amount of \$10,800 for Pastor Anna's housing allowance by Dave Mooney and seconded by Rich Long. There was discussion about



the rental value of the parsonages and a commitment was made to do research in 2019 and adjust the \$10,800 to a fair market value. After discussion, a vote was called and it passed.

A motion was made to accept the amount of \$10,800 for Pastor Gary's housing allowance by Rich Long and seconded by Dave Mooney. A vote was called and it passed.

A motion was made to accept \$5,000 for Pastor Gary's furnishings exclusion by Marlyn Diehl and seconded by Rich Long. Approved without objection.

A motion was made to accept \$3,000 for Pastor Anna's furnishings exclusion by Marlyn Diehl and seconded by Rich Long. Approved without objection.

Pastor Anna commented on the Safe Sanctuary Policy. As there are no changes, it did not require action.

Taylor Pfaff and Drew Robeson are certified candidates for ministry. Taylor is currently in Thailand after graduation from Duke University. Drew spoke briefly about his journey. He has completed all his course work to be a licensed local pastor and is looking to be approved at General Conference in May. He is currently enrolled in Evangelical Seminary. A motion to approve the continuation of Taylor Pfaff and Drew Robeson as certified candidates for ministry was made by Fred Powell and seconded by Don Powell. Approved without objection.

The group then took a moment to celebrate the work of the Rev George Barto, retired pastor and Ann Holler, Camp Hill UMC historian.

Pastor Anna asked for a motion to give the Leadership Team the authority between sessions of church conference to nominate and fill all vacancies in elected offices not listed in paragraph 249 of The Book of Discipline. The motion was made by Steve Drachler and seconded by Nancy Harry. Approved without objection.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Jon Seltenheim and seconded by Margaret Brightbill. Approved without objection.

A circle of prayer, including the laying on of hands, closed our evening. The prayer lifted up our three new ULC members and their future role in the ministry of leading the church.