

Attendees:

Pastor Chuck Wilson	Pastor Paul Craig	Pastor Brad Hopper
Pastor Corey Millet	Jon Pollack	Gene Monago
Greg Klein	Carol Hatcher	John McClendon
Ken Merchant	Lee Goldstein	Curt Walton
Philip Tate	Chris Oldham	Karin Dunham
Amy DeVore	Nancy Harris	Gregory Mangum
Tyleta Morgan	Suzanne Pugh	Kaitlin Klotz

I. Welcome and Opening Prayer-Jon Pollack

II. In-Person Worship and Church Office Update-Pastor Paul Craig

- a. This coming Sunday (5/30), MUMC will be 80% open:
 - i. Children’s and Youth Ministries Sunday Morning Programming, Adult Sunday Morning Programming and Nursery will not yet return
 - ii. No reservations needed
 - iii. Masks will be optional
 - iv. No physical distancing required
- b. Children’s/Youth/Adult Sunday Morning programming and Nursery to return on June 13th.
 - i. Services will be 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM
- c. June 14th, office staff to return with full in-person presence to be established by June 20th.
- d. July 13th-9:30, 11:00 and 12:30 services will all be available
- e. Vacation Bible School in mid-June will remain virtual for the 2021 year.
- f. Rainbow Express and Music and Arts Camp will be held in person at limited capacity, following all state guidelines.
- g. There will be a Zoom meeting with 8:15 AM service attendees to determine whether/when the 8:15 AM Sunday Morning services resume.
 - i. 8:15 AM services may be suspended in summer and return the 2nd week in September.

III. Preschool/After School Update-Jon Pollack

- a. Recognition of Preschool/After School Committee
 - i. Research and development of measurement criteria for Preschool and After School programs
 - ii. Presentation of Phase I Reimagination research and development in early May to Key Leaders Group by Lee Goldstein followed by discussion
 - iii. Presentation of Revised Phase I Reimagination research delivered by Jon Pollack week of 5/17
 - iv. Currently, it was not recommended to move forward with Preschool/After School Reimagination
 1. This is due in part to the strong priorities uncovered in “Our Next Faithful Steps” and some concerns regarding how the reimagination process would proceed at the time.

- a. There was some question as to whether this reimagination was compelling enough.
- b. There was a concern regarding timing with coming out of the pandemic and big decisions to be made within the global UMC-there was some trepidation over whether now is the right time to move forward.
- c. We had to be honest with what our bandwidth is-the church has taken some financial losses as well as losses in attendees/staff over the last few years.
- v. The proposal was to reopen with 112 students (2 classes each of 6 mo – 24 mos, 3s, 4s, and TK) and an after-school program of 40-50 students.
 - 1. The plan met financial criteria (Preschool and After-School) would be self-sustaining in 2022.
 - 2. The decision was made to keep the “Faithful Next Steps” in sight while developing a series of options/priorities for the Preschool/After-school programs.
 - 3. It will be announced to the congregation that the Preschool/After-School Reimagining process will be paused for the time being
- vi. The Key Leaders meeting in June will focus on prioritizing the “Next Faithful Steps” with the Ad Council voting on the options presented by Key Leaders.

IV. Trustees Update-Gene Monago

- a. Playground is nearly complete
 - i. The playground has been completely renovated
 - 1. The project was funded jointly by the Refresh and Renew fund (~1/3) and the Telra Institute (~2/3) as part of their lease agreement
 - ii. One piece of equipment remains to be installed
 - iii. Mulching will need to be finished
 - iv. The total cost of this project was roughly \$90,000.00
- b. Memorial Garden
 - i. Construction has been underway
 - ii. Likely will be complete by the end of June
- c. Bus purchase
 - i. The church has purchased a new bus
 - ii. An estate gift was given to MUMC and part of this gift was earmarked for a new bus.
 - 1. No church funds were needed for the purchase of this bus outside of the estate gift.
 - 2. The bus will be instrumental in transporting older adults to and from worship services/church events.
 - iii. This brings the fleet to 3 buses and 1 van
 - 1. At this time, it has not been decided whether or not a vehicle will be retired and if so which vehicle.

- d. Refresh and Renew Fund has been accessed for the following projects
 - i. Resurfacing of the parking lot
 - ii. Repainting of the Eagle's Nest
 - iii. Replacement of doors at Eagle's Nest
 - iv. Updates to some ceilings and carpets in the church
 - e. Reserve Capital Account
 - i. Not discretionary
 - 1. For truly large repairs or capital requirements
 - ii. Roughly \$125,000.00
 - iii. This will not be touched unless it is absolutely necessary
 - f. Meeting scheduled for June, no meeting for July
 - g. Teller Institute will begin leasing in the building on July 1st
 - i. Teller Institute will have access to building 7 days a week, 24 hours a day
 - ii. Teller Institute will be cleaning their own space (this will offset some of the cleaning costs)
 - iii. All technology upgrades will be left at MUMC
- V. Financial Update-Greg Klein**
- a. Update is Year to Date through April of 2021
 - b. We have hired a contractor to do our financial bookkeeping.
 - c. YTD, total revenue \$825,000.00 compared to a budget of \$853,000.00
 - i. There is a \$27,000.00 revenue shortfall YTD
 - ii. April almost achieved the monthly budgeted amount
 - 1. We had a \$50,000 improvement to our budget in April for the year.
 - iii. For the same period in 2020, there was revenue of \$899,000.00
 - 1. We were still under the monthly budgeted revenue at the same point last year
 - iv. Our expenses are drastically underbudget due to reduced on-campus operations.
 - d. Our net total is a loss of \$9,721.00
 - i. We expected to have a deficit of \$38,000.00.
 - e. Unrestricted cash balance would cover 2.7 months of operations
 - i. This is a slight increase from March.
 - ii. The financial committee is still in the process of deciding how much unrestricted cash balance is optimal for our congregation.
 - 1. The current thought is that there should be enough unrestricted cash balance to cover 3 months of operations.
- VI. Wealth Gap Simulation-Pastor Chuck Wilson**
- a. Likely to be held on a Saturday in October
 - b. The morning would be used to work together to better understand what people in different socioeconomic statuses go through to get by. The findings would be
 - c. There are people in the life of the church capable of facilitating this event
- VII. Coming up in Worship**
- a. Celebrations:

MUMC Ad Council Meeting Minutes-May 24th, 2021, 7:00 PM

- i. Graduation Sunday
 - ii. Father's Day
 - iii. Celebration of Celeston and Maria
 - b. Series: Why I am Enthusiastic to be a United Methodist Christian
 - c. Beginning September 12th – November 21st we will participate in the worship series: Engage
 - d. 5th Sunday Fellowship
 - i. Sharing in a common meal (MUMC and Mount Moriah Missionary Church) held every 5th Sunday
 - 1. To be alternated between campuses
 - 2. Scheduled through the end of 2022
 - e. After-worship common meal events (with reservations) Last Sunday of September
 - i. 9/26
 - ii. 11/14
 - f. Advent begins November 28th, 2021
 - g. Complete the Sentence activity
 - i. Focused around engaging with generosity
- VIII. Closing Prayer-Pastor Chuck Wilson