

Minutes of Meeting of the Church Council

June 24, 2018

PRESENT:

John Mingus, Moderator
(Absent), Moderator Elect
Carolyn Yocom, Past Moderator
Jean Wheelock, Clerk
(Absent), Membership Clerk
(Absent), Treasurer
(Absent), Assistant Treasurer
(Absent), Comptroller
Heidi Warrington, Board of Education
(Absent), Board of Deacons
(Absent), Board of Outreach & Social
Justice
(Absent), Board of Trustees

Jan Curtis, Archivist/Historian
Dave Curtis, Archivist/Historian
(Absent), Communications Comm.
(Absent), Endowment Committee
(Absent), Music Committee
(Absent), Nominations & Appointments
(Absent) Personnel Committee
(Absent), Safe Church Committee
Ellen Wertman, Stewardship Committee
(Absent), Member at Large
(Absent), Member at Large
(Vacant). Member at Large
David Lindsey, Senior Pastor
(Absent), Associate Pastor

The moderator called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

The topic of discussion was David's request for a salary advance for purchasing a home in Arlington. David distributed copies titled "Addendum to Contract Between Little River United Church of Christ ("LRUCC") and Rev. Dr. David B. Lindsey ("David"). David advised that he had made a mistake at the Governance Board meeting on June 13, 2018. He is asking for an advance of \$29,976 of which \$15,000 would go to a down payment and \$14,976 would be used by him and Carrie to pay the PMI (Private Mortgage Insurance.) The money would be repaid by Little River not contributing to David's pension annuity for a period of time. See attached document for a repayment plan proposed by David.

The request was discussed. The \$15k grant has been paid from the Parsonage Fund and received by David. Dave Curtis pointed out that it was actually a call rather than a contract between the church and David. Dave Curtis passed out a document titled, "Background on the LRUCC Parsonage Fund." It was also determined that there was not enough money in the parsonage fund to cover David's full request. The fund at the end of April was \$39,847.51, but it is reduced by the \$15,000 recently paid for the housing grant. It was also stated that the Council needed an opportunity to discuss this without David in attendance.

John summarized that the following items needed to be addressed by the church council before calling a congregational meeting.

1. Determine whether it is legal
2. Is the \$15k doable?
3. Consider PMI request

4. Do terms of David's call allow for not paying into his retirement annuity?
5. Re possible congregational meeting – a 7-day notice must be given; subject must be announced/posted, but wording does not have to be precise

David had one other item of business. He announced that Dylan Mahone (arrested for the vandalism to LRUC and the JCC in April 2017) has agreed to plead guilty to five felony counts. The charges will be filed on August 7. Each count carries 1 to 5 years of prison time. The sentencing has not been scheduled.

The meeting was adjourned at about 9:45 a.m.

Submitted by

Jean Wheelock
Church Clerk