

# DEANSBORO CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**Date:** May 15, 2011

Item	Discussion	Actions
	The meeting was opened by clerk Mary Lou Rosecrants followed by a prayer from Pastor Ed Townsend	
<b>Minutes</b>	Minutes from 2009 meeting were read by the clerk and '2008 Annual Mtg minutes' was corrected to read 2009 and Outreach was added to the list of committees in the last paragraph.	Motion to approve as corrected by Marge Mudge, second by Mary Dickinson. Passed
<b>Council Structure</b>	Council is recommending that we continue with the structure used in 2010. There was a question if attendance at the meetings was more than in previous years. The response is yes there are more people in attendance.	Motion to continue structure by John McConnell, second by David Lloyd. Passed
<b>Officers</b>	A slate of officers and council members was presented and recommended by the council.	Motion to approve as presented by Carol Gilley, second by Noreen Machold. Passed
	The meeting was then turned over to the new Moderator, David Lloyd for committee reports	
	There was a motion that the package of reports to follow be accepted as read at the end of their presentation.	Motion by Lawrence Gilley, second by Diane Brady. Passed
<b>Finance</b>	Lawrence thanked his committee and suggested that people volunteer to be on committees which allows opportunity for a closer look at what is going on in the church. Monthly reports are available on the church's website and he will give paper copies to those who are not online.	
<b>Investments</b>	We use Access Federal Credit Union locally for about \$20,000 in savings and Cornerstone fund also. Lawrence explained the advantages of using Cornerstone. We also have invested in the United Church Foundation.	
	Council has decided that memorial contributions should go into a memorial fund account to be separated from the general fund.	
	Lawrence commented on the Income Statement that although there was a reduction in offerings there was a positive result for the first time in many years.	
	There was a question about insurance cost and it was pointed out that the previous treasurer had negotiated a much lower rate.	
	Marge Mudge commented that we might direct mission funds to the USA before sending them overseas.	Motion to accept the Financial reports by Dorothy McConnell, second by Mary Dickinson. Passed

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<b>Website</b>	Lawrence reported that the website averages 42 visits per month and encouraged people to share photos, information and ideas for the site. He also reminded us that we have a Facebook page which was started by Anthony Dangler and currently administered by Stephanie Yoxall.	
<b>Pastor</b>	Things are going well and the change in council is allowing us to move in a positive direction.	
<b>Women's Fellowship</b>	Edie Eastman summarized the Women's fellowship financial report which is included in the report package.	
<b>Outreach</b>	Sarah Cotter read the committee report (included in the report package) and invited people to join the committee.	
	Lawrence feels that the biggest threat to our community is hydro-fracking. He reported that there may be agents trying to get drilling rights nearby and feels that the church should be involved. Both he and Sarah spoke of some of the dangers of this type of drilling.	
<b>Christian Education</b>	Tammy Sehn reported that they have 4 regular attendees and with 2 or 3 additions at various times. Sunday School will end on May 29 and begin again on September 11, 2011.	
<b>Worship</b>	Diane Brady read the committee report which is included in the report package.	
<b>Congregational Care</b>	Janet Dangler read the committee report which is included in the report package.	
<b>Building &amp; Grounds</b>	David Lloyd read the committee report which is included in the report package.	
	He also requested a volunteer to head up the committee since he has become the Moderator and added that all people are welcome to join any committee which interests them.	
<b>Historian</b>	Historian Dorothy McConnell's report is included in the report package.	A motion to accept all committee reports as presented was made by Noreen Machold and seconded by Carol Gilley. Passed.
<b>Old Business</b>	There was a question regarding the condition of the organ. Janet's main concern is for the motor and blowers.	
<b>New Business</b>	None	
	Marge Mudge commented that we seem to be doing well.	
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>		A motion to adjourn was made by Janet Dangler.

Respectfully submitted  
Mary Lou Rosecrants  
Clerk