

First Methodist Church
Morehead City, NC
Church Council Minutes

The Church Council met on Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 7:00 pm. Members in attendance were: John Civils, Shanna DuMont, John Floyd, Jennifer Hill, Larry Hughes, Joe Kirk, Alan Leary, Sandra Norris, Fletcher Poulk, Matt Ritchie.

Jenn Hill opened the meeting in prayer and Fletcher presented a devotional. A motion was made to approve the August minutes. The motion was seconded and all agreed.

Finance: John Floyd

- John reviewed the August Financial Report.
- The deed to the Havelock Mundine property is now in the name of the Church.
- John wants everyone to encourage members to fulfil their pledges and educate members about all the things the Church does.
- A motion was made to put 50% of the funds from the sale of 2 properties (Havelock and Pine Knoll Shores) into restricted accounts for elevator repair/replacement, insurance deductible, and emergency/rainy day funds as directed by the Finance Committee. It was seconded and all agreed.
- The Finance Committee wants to develop an Investment Policy for the Church assets.

Trustees: Fletcher Poulk

- New carpet is being installed in the Sanctuary.
- The trustees are looking into a vapor lock for the Atrium door.

Staff Parish Relations: Matt Ritchie

- There are two vacancies on the Staff Parish Committee.
- The Committee is meeting October 2 to discuss staff salaries.

Missions: Jennifer Hill

- The Committee met and discussed the diaper drive.
- The Fish Fry is October 20. The \$5 donation is going to the Costa Rica mission to help pay for next year's plane tickets.
- The Committee is meeting November 18 to make plans for 2025.

Worship: Larry Hughes

- The Love Feast is set for December 8.
- New confirmands will be required to serve as an acolyte.

Alan Leary:

- Both Rise Services have been well attended.
- The offering plates have been brought back to the Rise Services.

John Civils:

John reported that he and Alan Leary attended a Lay Leader meeting in New Bern.

Shanna DuMont:

- Shanna reported that the check-in system for Sunday School is working well even though Shanna has to remind. Check-in is used for Sunday evenings too.
- Sunday night numbers are greater than last year.
- She is planning for Trunk or Treat which will be held on October 27.

Fletcher closed the meeting in prayer. The next meeting is October 23.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Norris