

DUNCAN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Summary Council Minutes for February 16, 2012

Pastor's report: David Hindman thanked SPR for their work on hiring the new staff. He is very pleased with the process and the decision.

- There were about 90 people present for the Stop Hunger Now packaging event, more than we normally have for our covered dish dinners and a crowd representing all of the services and ages from 4 to 87 years.
- There are 11 signed up to go to Alabama on the mission trip. Jackie Strickland is getting that organized.
- We could potentially sell out all the shows for the youth musical. Charlie Van Goor is doing sets. Katie Hudson doing costumes; Charlene Beethovan and Mark Baird are doing props.
- The Hot Topics event last Sunday was well attended. Between 80 and 90 people came and some could not find an unlocked door so there might have been more. It was a nice mix of R-MC folks and church folks.
- David Hindman will be going to Holy Cross Abby for a retreat the first week in March.

Lay Leader report: Dave Stoakley reminded us there is a Five Talent Academy training coming up on next Thursday in Stafford.

Staff Parish Relations Team report: Ray Martin reported that his team met and explored our recommendation to pay Teena Chin's moving expenses retroactively. The Finance team has approved. The council endorsed this action by motion which passed unanimously. Henceforth, there will be line items related to recruitment and expenses of candidates.

Treasurer's report: Mark Baird reported we are down about \$4,000 in offerings from our budgeted expectations. Overall, the fund balances are lower than last year this time, but the Trustees spent some on much needed repairs and changes.

Nominating Team report: The Strategic Planning committee now has six members: Danny Phillips, Brian Moores, Ellen Birch, Ashley Roth, Dawn Plum, and an elected member from the youth. They still need a Stewardship coordinator, a coordinator for the Ashland Free Clinic, and counters. Other positions have been filled.

New Business:

- Bill Hamner is handling a legal issue for the church related to work paid for but not completed.
- Consensus was that notebooks of council minutes will be stored at the church. David Hindman will check with archivists on what is the best manner to save these records henceforth. Mark Baird will purchase hard drives for both secretary and treasurer's records.

Next meeting is April 19th at 7PM.