Board of Trustees Minutes Front Street United Methodist Church July 28, 2025

Members Present: Gary Harris, Rev. Ray Warren, Tom Steele, Gayle Canaday, Lizzie Hill, Jan Davis, Isaiah Facemire, Kelly Glick

Gary Harris opened the meeting with prayer.

There was a motion to approve April's minutes by Tom Steele and was seconded by Lizzie Hill. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Gary Harris suggested changing the time of our meetings from 7:30p.m. to 7:00p.m. There were no objections.

Update from the Visioning Team:

Gary Harris reported that discussions are ongoing regarding selling one or more of the three vans the church owns. Now that we no longer have an after- school program FSUMC is not in need of all three vehicles. Chris Huneycutt wanted to keep them through the summer's youth activities and Melissa needed two of them this summer as well.

F.D. Hornaday had mentioned that Impact Alamance might be able to help with the purchase of one of the vans to go to a charity in need. Chris Huneycutt has suggested we sell the minibus. Further discussion on this matter will take place after the summer is over.

New Business:

- 1. In October of 2023 Front Street had a map drawn up of all of our property around the church. The findings indicated that a small parcel on the West Davis Street side of our parking lot is owned by the Jim Smith Family. Tom Steele has drawn up an easement agreement that we hope can be executed to secure the "west" entrance to our parking lot. Going forward, we want to have a record of exactly what property the church owns.
- 2. Front Street United Methodist Church was incorporated but our assets were never moved into the corporation therefore Tom Steele has put together documentation of what the church owns. Tom has listed the property as 10 "tracks". The first track is the parsonage. Tracks 2-9 are the properties of the church and surrounding areas. Track 10 is left open to cover anything else that we might discover that we own but to date are not aware of.
- 3. The Board of Trustees are being asked to sign off on moving these assets into the "incorporated" documentation. The deed has been drafted by Tom Steele and the

Board of Trustees, as the legal entity of the church, has been asked to sign and approve this transaction. Mark Crissman and Dex Peach were absent from tonight's meeting they will need to sign this paperwork at a future date.

Old Business:

1. Rev. Ray Warren provided an update on the leak in the ceiling of the John Wesley Room. The roofing company came out to see if they could find the cause of the leak. A roofing company estimated \$35,000.00 to fix the roof but the gentleman who did a little more investigating found and fixed the problem for \$2,500.00. We have had no further problems since the repair.

Items for consideration:

- 1. Gary Harris stated that the Ministry Center (346 W. Front Street) owned by FSUMC is used very infrequently the Stephan Ministers use it once a month but otherwise it sits empty. Gary asked the Trustees to consider ways we might use this space to generate income.
- 2. Rev Ray Warren shared that at his previous church, members who were attorneys served on the Board of Trustees as legal representatives for a small annual fee. They were also available for legal counsel as needed and received additional compensation for any extra legal work. The group was asked to consider this model.

Rev. Ray Warren closed us in prayer.

Respectively submitted, Kelly Glick