

## **FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – SANTA ROSA**

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES – AUGUST 22, 2018**

The Finance Committee of Santa Rosa First United Methodist Church met on August 22, 2018 in the Montgomery Campus Carriage House. Present were: Sam Cox, Joan Gates, Marty Thompson, Peg Ferrel, Lynn Garrison, Mike Ferrel, Naomi Niimi, Janet Tonkin, and Mary Brunet, Church Administrator.

Sam opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:04.

The minutes of the July meeting were amended to add in the section concerning the UMW Beulah grant application, the sentence, “The intent is that grant funds received would support a paid position and expenses for a senior ministries coordinator.” The minutes were approved as amended.

The July Financial Report was presented and discussed.

The current deficit stands at \$27,719. At this rate, the church would wind up spending more than the \$35,000 from accumulated cash as approved in the budget. Historical trends regarding the second half of the year producing more income than the first half were mentioned.

#### **Ministry Fair**

The ministry fair to be held September 16 at Stony Point and September 23 at Montgomery was discussed. Mary will look at prior year materials. It was suggested we have chocolate coins at the table as a treat. Sam and Mary will “noodle” some more. Janet volunteered to staff a table.

#### **Stewardship**

The Stewardship Committee will meet at the end of August to work on the fall campaign.

#### **Additional Revenue Streams**

There was general agreement that the church could receive additional funds via scrip programs if there was a scrip coordinator. No one from the committee volunteered. The plan is to advertise for a scrip coordinator at the ministry fair. It was suggested the committee work in coordination with the foundation to solicit large gifts for current use. Care needs to be taken that this effort can work in conjunction with the foundation’s solicitation of funds for the foundation endowments.

The September meeting will be held Wednesday, September 12, at 7:00 pm.

Following a closing prayer, the committee adjourned at 8:17.

Submitted by Mike Ferrel