

**Myrtle Grove United Methodist Church**  
**Administrative Board Minutes**  
**November 5, 2011**

Beth Herndon opened the meeting at 7 PM with a brief devotion on Just Like Jesus, a Diligent Search.

Ministry Team Reports

Senior Pastor, Riley Richardson:

- ✓ On Christmas Sunday, there will be no Sunday School but a church wide brunch (bring your leftovers) at 9:45 AM. Then at 10:30 AM we will have a combined worship service.
- ✓ The Sunday School Leadership dinner was a success. The focus was on what it means to be a steward and a disciple: leading a God pleasing life. On the fifth Sunday of this program Commitment Cards will be distributed and the various work areas will have a Ministry Fair. Everyone will be studying the same thing at the same time.

Associate Pastor, Jenni Hendrix:

- ✓ A new college age Sunday school class will be starting in the New Year.
- ✓ More Advent Booklets were needed and printed. Jim Reynolds will also make it available on the church website.
- ✓ Each month 600 newsletters are printed and mailed. There will be an effort to reduce that number by urging use of the website, updating addresses, etc. If you could use the computer to access the newsletter instead of receiving a paper copy, please notify the church office.

Youth Ministry, Patrick McBride:

- ✓ Youth are just finishing a course on relationships. Thank you to those who have provided food!
- ✓ Wednesday nights are averaging 35.
- ✓ The Carol and Cookies event will be held again this year. There is a sign-up table in the fellowship hall on Sunday mornings – or contact the church office. The cost is \$5.00 and youth will sing and give home baked cookies to whomever you designate.
- ✓ Variety Night has been moved to March.
- ✓ This spring the Resistance I discipleship classes will return on Sunday night. Patrick would also like to offer Resistance II to those who already did the first year.

Administrative Committees

Finance, Connie Boyd:

- ✓ November figures have not been completely verified by the accountant, but it looks like we finished the month with a negative \$40,000 + for the year.
- ✓ Budget for 2012 was presented. The proposal was reviewed with no motions to amend. As the budget proposal is coming from committee, it does not require a motion. The vote to approve the budget was unanimous.
- ✓ The Operating Income and Expense report from January through October was reviewed. Designated Funds again received much study and comment. If even 1/3 of those funds were available to pay for budgeted items, the Church would not have a negative balance. The October report coming from committee does not require a motion. The report was accepted by unanimous approval.

SPR Committee, Linda Danks:

- ✓ Bobby Allen will be retiring soon. The committee is planning a reception to honor Bobby on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

Trustees, Chuck Boyd:

- ✓ The rental house – there is a couple very interested in renting it and he is even helping repair/ fix it. The project is being funded in part by donations.
- ✓ Repairs on Education Building are on hold. The new gutters will be installed.

Worship Committee, Paul Henderson:

- ✓ Veteran's Day presentation was terrific – thanks to Glenda Wolfe and Jim Reynolds.
- ✓ Poinsettias may be ordered and will be delivered after Christmas morning service.
- ✓ Christmas Eve services will be at 5PM for contemporary and 7PM for traditional.
- ✓ New Year's Day we will resume two services.
- ✓ The Wednesday morning communion services are well attended and successful. The last one for this year will be December 14<sup>th</sup>.

Outreach Committee, Marge Byrd:

- ✓ Evangelistic tracts were distributed during Trunk or Treat. Those who attended the Bazaar/ Fish Fry and signed up for a Wal-Mart gift card have received a visit. All visitors from these events have received a personal letter. These notes have been mailed to 80 to 100 people.
- ✓ A Mission event is planned for March.

Education Committee, Lou Etheredge:

- ✓ Vacation Bible School [VBS] plans are going forward. The theme this year will be Aviation and is planned for the third week of June. Fund raisers of a movie night and bake sales are planned.

Children's Council, Janet Boston for T. McDaniel:

- ✓ The recent basket auction and lunch raised \$600.00 to help pay for fees for Children's Camp at Blue Lake in January.
- ✓ Scouting is going well with over 80 children involved. The Girl Scouts have a silent auction going on for their pictures – proceeds to go to church transportation fund.

Technology Committee, Jim Reynolds

- ✓ Items to go out on prayer chain are reviewed by Cheryl, Jim, or Beth Herndon. During normal working hours it is best to contact Cheryl and let her know if you are emailing in a request. On weekends let Jim or Beth know.
- ✓ Six CDs of Veterans Day presentation have been made.
- ✓ Donations have been received for \$400 for the needed computer upgrade.

Beth asked for other business items. None were brought forward. She asked we all pray for the sound booth and transportation. The minutes of the November Annual Charge Conference were reviewed. The September minutes were not available but will be presented at the January meeting. No corrections, additions or deletions were mentioned. Jim Potter moved the minutes be accepted and Vernon Ard seconded. The motion passed. Pastor Riley closed the meeting with prayer.

Louise Hulien  
Administrative Board Secretary

