

St Paul's U.C.C. 2009 Finance & Mission Minutes

Committee:	Finance & Mission
Meeting Date:	February 10, 2009
Meeting Time:	7:00 pm
Chairperson	Gary Kirkpatrick
Note taker	Peggy Welter
Attendees	Gary Kirkpatrick, Willard Lundahl, Roger Peterson, Ron Eppert, Ken Reiter
	Pastor Ken opened the meeting with prayer.

AGENDA TOPIC: STEWARDSHIP MAILING

The committee met on Tuesday, January 13, 2009 to put together pledge letters. Attendees were Gary & Sydney Kirkpatrick, Sue Barker, Roger Peterson & Peggy Welter. Approximately 90 pledge forms were stuffed. Sue Barker inserted the 2008 giving records. Roger handed out 30 pledge forms at Sunday service and mailed the remaining 60 pledge forms. To date, 23 pledges have been returned for a total monetary amount of \$24,166.00. We have received pledge this year from some that do not usually pledge. We need to put a note in the newsletter to remind members to turn in their pledges if they have not already done so. Peggy will put together a list of 'time & talent' pledges to be made available to the various committees at the next board meeting.

AGENDA TOPIC: ELLIOTT ESTATE GIFT

A. Gary reported that the board would like a recommendation from the Finance committee regarding the CD's that will be maturing. Our recommendations will be for a short term renewal of the first 5 CD's while we gather information. Gary provided a list of the CD's showing the first to be due in March.

B. A list of suggestions for use of the Elliott money was distributed. It was decided that we need as much input from the congregation as possible. The list of suggestions will be provided in the next newsletter. The finance committee will request members of the congregation provide their top 10 ideas from this list back to us by Sunday, March 15, 2009. We will combine these ideas for a 'top 10' list at our next meeting which will be held on Wednesday, March 18 after the Lenten supper. On Sunday, March 22, 2009 we will have small group discussions concerning the top 10 ideas. From these discussions, we will know where to concentrate our efforts. Peggy will write the article for the newsletter. Gary will talk to the Lay, Life and Work committee about providing a light lunch on Sunday, March 22.

C. Gary has checked with Martin Cernetisch concerning the stained glass windows of the church. Martin does not see any lead deterioration. There is someone from Des Moines working on the windows at St. Malachy's and Gary will check with him about our windows.

AGENDA TOPIC: GARAGE SALE

ACTION ITEMS

It was decided that the Finance committee is not interested in doing a garage sale this year. Gary will report to the board.

AGENDA TOPIC: CHURCH DIRECTORY

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In honor of St. Paul's 35th anniversary, the finance committee has chosen to do a church directory as our project for this year. It was determined that the last directory was done in 2003. Ron provided information from Olan Mills and Gary will follow up with them.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

FEBRUARY 22 – NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DUE

MARCH 1 – GARY TALK ABOUT ELLIOTT LIST

MARCH 15 – TOP 10 SUGGESTIONS FOR USE OF ELLIOTT ESTATE DUE

MARCH 18 –NEXT MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

MARCH 22 – LUNCH AND SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS