

Harris Chapel United Methodist Church

Church Council Meeting

April 21st, 2010

Darrell Day called the meeting to order. **Pastor Bob Jernigan** opened with prayer. **Darrell Day** read a short passage from 1 Peter, Chapter 4.

Mary Bennett read the minutes from the November 2009 meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Darrell Day opened the floor to new business with a comment that this meeting would pretty much be limited to the discussion of church business with no reports from committees since it had been so long since the last meeting was held.

1. First item up for discussion is mowing the church property. **Mike Brandon** (Trustee Chair) stated that he will solicit bids to have the church property mowed. The church yard shall be mowed weekly. The graveyard shall be mowed bi-weekly. **Mike Brandon** covered the standards for mowing the church property.

2. Second item for discussion is mowing the church parsonage yard. **Darrell Day** opened the discussion stating that **Jessie Davenport** (a youth church member) would mow the property for \$25 each time he mowed it. **Gena Hall** made the motion to accept Jessie's offer to mow the parsonage. **Darlene Judge** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Joanie Day** made the motion to send out notices to families with members buried in the church cemetery to solicit donations to help with the upkeep of the graveyard. Cemetery Committee and Trustee Committee are to work out the details. **Tom Nevell** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4. **Darrell Day** brought up the need to clean the gutters on the Family Activity Center. **Jenita Ferguson** mentioned that she had an estimate from Wayne Broyles to clean the gutters for \$300. **Ruby Montoye** made the motion to accept the estimate. **Mike Brandon** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5. **Nellie Daughtery** brought up for discussion the need to establish guidelines for using the Family Activity Center (FAC). Guidelines have been drawn up and published. **Mike Brandon** read the contract aloud for using the FAC. **Jenita Ferguson** made the motion for all people (church members and non-church members) to provide a deposit to use the church FAC. A discussion was held concerning the motion. After the discussion, **Jenita Ferguson** withdrew her motion. **Jeanette Rose** made the motion that we keep our current policy for use of the FAC. **Judy Wimley** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

6. **Pastor Bob Jernigan** stated that he would take care of taking off the trash from the church FAC each week.

7. Trustees will look at windows on church building and side doors to determine if painting is needed.

8. **Betty Yarbrough** requested that help was needed on the Education Committee. **Joanie Day** made the motion that **Jeanette Rose** and **Mary Bennett** be nominated to serve out the 2010 year on the Education Committee. **Danny Hall** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

9. **Mike Brandon** made the motion that we give the North Franklin County Fire Department a donation of \$35. **Betty Yarbrough** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

10. **Jeanette Rose** made the motion to replace **Alma Simpson** with **Jeanette Rose** on the Communications Committee. **Danny Hall** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

11. **Jenita Ferguson** gave a brief finance report.

12. **Darrell Day** requested that the group pray together about someone keeping the minutes of the meetings in the future. **Darrell Day** kept the minutes for this meeting.

13. **Darrell Day** made the motion that meetings will be held on the fourth Sunday of every other month immediately following church and a light lunch. **Ruby Montoye** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Upcoming meetings will be held on the following dates: June 27, 2010; August 22, 2010; October 24, 2010; December 12, 2010.

Ruth Nevell made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. **Joanie Day** seconded the motion. **Darrell Day** closed in prayer.