

DFUMC Church Council Agenda

Date & Time:	Mar 10, 2024 – 12:00 p.m.
Location:	Room 207
Pastors:	Revs. Dalton Rushing, Blair Setnor, Laura Rappold
Council:	Council Chair Clair Hope Wallace, Vice Chair Davis Edwards, Finance Chair Tom Barefoot, Lay Leader Rick Gillig, Staff-Parish Relations Director Marion Dearing, Trustees Director Josh Andrews, Connect Team Chair Cindy Petersen, Grow Team Chair Madeline Ledford, Worship Team Chair Ruth Brown, Secretary John Bartholomew, Story Keeper Karen Horace, Engage Team Chair Jim Kiernicki
Guests:	

Agenda details:

- I. Opening prayer (2 min) - Dalton opened the meeting in prayer at 12:15 pm
- II. Approval of February meeting minutes (2 min) - Rick motioned to approve the February meeting minutes and Ruth seconded. The Council unanimously approved the minutes.
- III. Avondale Pattillo – Josh / Laura (10 min) - Rick motioned to move into Executive Session and John Bartholomew seconded. The Council voted unanimously to move into Executive session.
- IV. Solar and DFUMC long-range church priorities - Josh (30 min)
Josh led a discussion concerning the solar panels. The council began by discussing the recent congregation meeting about the panels and the concerns raised by congregation members. Specifically, the Council discussed congregation members' concerns about future projects being delayed, including renovating the sanctuary and proposals by congregation members to renovate the kitchen. The council further discussed communicating to the congregation about its deliberative and decision-making process, including the long process the solar panel task force undertook. Council members agreed they needed to send a communication to the congregation about delaying a vote.
- V. Financial Report – Tom (10 min)
Tom gave a financial report. The church continues to maintain a strong cash position of over \$175k. Discussing our monthly financials, Tom noted that \$2000 is being transferred into a reserve account for maintenance and

repairs. The preschool remains profitable, and Avondale Pattillo is currently breakeven. The Church has submitted its ERC application which would net up to \$300,000, and our Reviewed Financial Statement for 2022 is completed. The endowment committee met 2 weeks ago. John Robinson, an attorney, is now joining that committee. The Church has completed its 4% withdrawal from the endowment for the year. Tom moved to approve the financials and Ruth seconded. The Council unanimously approved them.

VI. Holy Week – Dalton (2 min)

Dalton gave an update on holy week plans, including times for service throughout the week, and when catered meals will be provided for services.

VII. SPR – Marion (20 min)

Multiple members moved and Rick seconded to move into Executive Session to discuss SPR matters.

VIII. Old or new business - (5 min)

There was no old or new business for discussion.

IX. Closing - (5 min)

Daniel offered a closing prayer.

Next Meeting: April 14