

**St. Andrew United Methodist Church**  
**Leadership Council Meeting**  
**Jan. 17, 2008**

Attendees: 28 members, 5 guests (see attendance log)

**I. Welcome / Devotion**

Rebecca O'Neal called the meeting to order and read a devotion from the Upper Room and some Bible readings on hospitality.

**II. Faces of St. Andrew**

Leadership Recognition – Valerie Miller and Donna Parisi from Servant Ministries presented lighthouse pins to all who are serving in servant ministries this year.

**III. Approval of Leadership Council Minutes from November and December**

Minutes from Leadership Council meetings in November and December were approved with no discussion and no corrections, following motions and seconds.

**IV. Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations**

Introduction and Chapter 1 – Radical Hospitality were discussed. Council members shared stories of hospitality experienced at St. Andrew. Chapter 2 will be discussed next month.

**V. Committee Reports**

Trustees – Brant Dillon

Brant reported that money has been approved for security personnel to be hired, probably 2 to 3 part to full time people. Hours to be staffed are as follows: 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. M – F; 8:00 – 2:30 Sat., and 12:30 – 2:30 Sun. Security personnel will not be sheriff's deputies or from a professional security service.

Security doors in the children's and youth wings are out for bids. Once a proposal is accepted it should take 6 – 8 weeks to get the doors installed, hopefully by the end of March.

Part of the new security plan is to change the main entrance of the CLC to the north side of the building. This has to go through the Douglas Co. planning board for approval.

Steering – Larry Mugler

Larry reported that the Steering Committee just had its first meeting of the year.

Finance – Don Ingle

The overall view of the finance committee is positive. Although 2007 revenues are about 3% below budget, expenditures are down and there will be a surplus going into 2008. The revenue projection is flat for this year.

SPRC – John Lynass

There are several new members on the committee. Assignments are being made for committee members to be a liaison with staff.

Mary Roudebush is taking a leave of absence from the accounting office.

LIFESpot – Janice Colliatie

Janice reported that she is still learning the ropes at Lifespot. The Lifespot ministry team is meeting monthly. There are 13 concerts scheduled between now and Mar. 14. The Mar. 14 concert will be a fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity. Daytime attendance has been steady at about 30 – 50.

The first Alateen meeting will be held at LIFESpot on Tues. Feb. 19 at 7:00 and then every Tues. after that. Alateen is an arm of Al-Anon especially for teens who have been affected by alcohol or drug abuse.

Outreach – Anne Purvis

Anne reported that Outreach will sponsor a food drive on Sun., Feb. 3 for Denver Urban Ministries.

Welcoming – Sharyn Landis

Sharyn Landis reported that the Pancake Supper will be held on Tues, Feb. 5 from 5:30 – 7:30 and volunteers are needed.

Youth – written report submitted by Cindy Klick

Rebecca O’Neal pointed out that youth confirmation classes are starting soon and prayer partners are needed.

Rebecca also noted that 16 youth met at Harvey’s house for discussion after seeing the movie “Juno.”

Children – written report submitted by Christy Boyle

Rebecca O’Neal noted that the next 7-week session of Rainbows is beginning with 47 children and 8 facilitators.

The childcare staff is developing a curriculum, which includes a Bible story and a craft for the children in childcare.

The accounting for the CLC is now being handled in the accounting office of the church.

**VI. New Business**

Building Committee Update – Brant Dillon

Brant reported that March is the deadline for the schematic design from the architects, Slater–Paull. Slater–Paull is also gathering data on needs from all the MALT’s in order to update the master plan to reflect what we are doing now and needs going forward. Slater–Paull will present 3 scenarios—\$6, \$9, and \$12 million and decisions will be made based on how much money can be raised through the new Capital Campaign. We would need to raise \$12 million for a new sanctuary. Some ideas that have been discussed for increasing the current seating area are changing the chair size to a 20” chair, which would increase the sanctuary occupancy load from 600 to 700.

Other options involve moving the walls of the current sanctuary to add more square footage. However, any addition of seats in the sanctuary will have a ripple effect in the Child, Youth and Adult Ed areas, supporting the need to grow in a balanced way. The other main issue is parking. We currently have 338 parking spaces and the total number at build out will be 482. Other alternatives for parking need to be addressed.

#### Capital Campaign Update – Tom Kucera

The Vision Document will be sent out on Feb. 7. This will address the space problems currently being experienced. A letter from Harvey Marz will accompany the document.

Tom reports that some feedback the committee is receiving is that some people do not see any need to expand. He feels that it is the responsibility of the Capital Campaign committee to inform the congregation of the needs and to build enthusiasm for our future plans. Some ideas the committee has thought of are a special Messenger to explain the problem, a fact sheet to be mailed out, or information on the church website. There was some discussion and ideas on how to motivate people.

Harvey stated that worship numbers have plateaued due to space restrictions.

The goal of the Capital Campaign is to involve 1000 people through 100 phone callers that will ask 3 simple questions. This will happen after the initial mailing of the Vision Document.

#### Other Business

Harvey announced that 25 or 26 staff and church members will be attending the Large Church Initiative conference in Orlando, FL the week of Jan. 21 – 25. Four presentations will be made by the St. Andrew staff.

### **VII. Joys and Concerns, Closing Prayer**

Joys and concerns were shared and Rebecca O’Neal closed the meeting in prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30. The next meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 21.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean McHarge, Secretary