

Grace United Methodist Men's Group  
Monthly Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the December 12, 2009 Meeting

In Attendance:

Ben Unruh  
Bill Swarens  
Robert Smith  
Shayne Havener  
Mike Kerr  
Rich Gaudio  
Daniel Hulburt  
Larry Goldsmith

Meeting called to order @ 9:10 AM with an opening prayer.  
Message delivered by Rich Gaudio.

Treasurers Report:

Report by Bill Swarens. With the exception of this morning's Community Breakfast (served 22), all bills are paid and current with a balance of approximately \$1500.00 (detailed report available upon request).

Old Business:

Election Results from November Meeting:

Officers for December 2009 - November 2010

President - Ben Unruh  
Vice-President - Shayne Havener  
Secretary - Mike Kerr  
Treasurer - Bill Swarens

Citrus Fund Raiser sales were well above projection resulting in two quantity price breaks. Delivery will be 12-15-09 with pick-ups scheduled for 12-16 and 17, 6:30 - 9:00PM. Totals sales will be provided in final report in January 2010.

Spaghetti Dinner Fund Raiser scheduled for January 23, 2010 with an alternate date of January 30, 2010 for inclement weather. Mike Kerr will head-up cooking and secure the secret recipe from Jim O'Leary.

Our District UMM's Charter is due. The cost is \$85. Motion made and seconded to pay this expense. Motion carried.

New Business:

The youth will hold a Soup Fund Raiser tomorrow, 12-13-09. All are encouraged to support.

New mission for the men's group was discussed. Ben Unruh suggested a Hunter Safety Course be sponsored for our adults, youth and those of our community to promote safe and responsible hunting practices. Ben will head this Mission.

The men have been requested to consider what we would like our contribution to the new kitchen to be as we are active user of the facility. Discussion was held and we decided to pray on it and discuss at the January meeting.

Bill Swarens discussed our Westview Camp Mission and encouraged that we start now in determining what our youth needs will be in term of full or partial scholarships so that funding needs can be assessed and planned for. This Mission is largest expense of all our Missions.

Discussed possibility of additional Fund Raising opportunities. Further discussion is required.

Rich Gaudio brought up the subject of "How Do We Minister To Those In Need" This is a topic at the District level and we need to assess how we meet or are not meeting the needs of our community. Do we do ministry with the poor? How do we build relationships with folks in need? How are we "Building a Faith Community"? Discussion followed and needs to continue at the January meeting due to time constraints. Please pray on this matter.

Fire Wood Ministry is in full swing with a clinic and demonstration today. Several deliveries of wood have been made thus far. We need volunteers to cut, split and stack whenever possible. Locations of downed wood are available from Shayne Havener, Rich Gaudio or Larry Goldsmith.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2010 @ 9:00AM following the Community Breakfast. Meeting adjourned @ 9:45AM