



FCC LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date – March 9, 2025

Attendees: Paul Gillespie, Nola Mann, Pastor David Harrison Jr., Adelina Vega, Angela McKenna, Sydney Angel

Call Meeting called to order (Pastor David Harrison) 12:15 p.m.

Prayer (Pastor Harrison)

Approval of minutes – Minutes approved as written

Property Report (Andy Askew)

- Property Report 03/06/2025
- Installed a new vanity and sink in the Narthex Restroom.
- Tightened the packing on the 3-way heat valve for the Sanctuary to prevent it from hammering. The valve is associated with the boiler system located in the pit.
- Participated in discussions with the AV engineer on plans for the screens and projectors for the Sanctuary.
- Discussed wiring needs for screens.
- Installation can be completed either 2nd week of April or after the Easter holiday.
- Pastor Harrison met with the contractor to close the fence around the trash dumpster. There has been evidence of trash from homes being dumped here, and people have been smoking in the Area. A lock with a code will be installed so that trash pickup can continue without interruption. The total cost to complete this project is \$1400.00.

Treasurer Report (Nola Mann, reported by Paul Gillespie)

- We have not yet received the February financials. Upon reviewing the January financials, it was discovered that the restroom remodel and the audio speakers for the sanctuary were charged to Property. Danny has been asked to relocate these costs to come out of the Property Major Projects funds that we have accumulated over the last few years instead of showing up as budgeted property expenses. He has yet to send us the revised January financials, which will then show that we are about \$3000 short of covering expenses after one month of the year.
- Going forward, Danny will be instructed on which account expenses should be deducted when information is sent.

Elder's Report (Pastor Harrison)

- The church Elders continue to remain diligent in their commitment to connecting with their assigned members through various forms of communication each month. Their dedication to spiritual care and support is greatly appreciated.
- Due to recent health concerns with Elder Michael, Pastor David will step in to cover communion prayer on the schedule moving forward. Mike will continue making calls to his assigned members as long as possible. Additionally, Pastor David will be available to cover for any Elder who may have scheduling conflicts or cannot serve due to illness.
- This week, a revised prayer schedule will be distributed to the Elders to reflect these adjustments. Thank you all for your continued faithfulness in serving the church community.
- We still need to add another Elder to the roster.

Diaconate Report (Adelina Vega)

- The Deacon/ Greeter members are doing well. Adelina and Donna continue to assist those Greeters who need additional support. Recruitment is ongoing.

Christian Action Report (Paul Gillespie)

- **New Communion** – We are back with our regular schedule of distributing bags of pantry staples 9 times during the month and bags of food to the homeless once a month. We will soon be planning what our bags will look like for the Easter distribution on Saturday, April 19th.
- **Backpack** – We continue to pass out 120 bags per week at Easton, with Marc and Wendy Mullins and Ginny Tussey filling in while Lindsey is recovering from surgery on her foot. We have volunteers coming on the morning of April 4th to participate in our next bagging event to finish out what we need to cover the rest of this school year. We have a couple of outside groups who will also help put these bags together.
- **Church World Service** – Sometime between now and Easter, we will be delivering the 202 clean-up buckets and 420 hygiene kits, currently in our choir room, to First Christian/Greensboro, which Church World Service will pick up in early June. These hygiene kits have been provided every year for the last few years.

Youth Update

- Holly Kessler, Director of Engagement for the Forsyth Jail and Prison Ministry, will speak during announcements on Sunday, March 16, 2025, for the youth kickoff of the hygiene kit drive. These kits will be put together by FCC youth; they will participate in subsequent announcements with requests for supplies to be included in these kits.
- An Interest Meeting will be held on 3/16/2025 from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. for anyone interested in working with kids (teachers, volunteers, and helpers).

New Business

- Easter Weekend plans
 - Friday 4/18/2025 – Day of Service
 - Pastor Sydney will bless the animals on the morning of 4/19/2025
 - Easter Egg Hunt and hot dog lunch will be provided for youth at 1 p.m. on 4/19/2025
 - Sunrise Service will be held with a continental breakfast immediately following.
 - Request volunteers be present to greet individuals as they arrive. Last year, we had several people new to the church arrive early for the service, and no one was there.
 - We will be announcing plans for the Easter service over the next couple of weeks.
- Memory Garden –
 - Skip and Ginny Tussey have invited their gardener to come and spruce up the memory garden.
 - Andy will meet with Danny Bridle to discuss engraving needs for cremation monuments.
- Nola will complete an audit of the Memorial Garden book.
- Regional Assembly –
 - The packet has been completed
 - The keynote speaker has been identified and will be here on Saturday, June 21, 2025
 - All classrooms will be used, including the piano room.
 - TV screen may be used in the Opportunity Room if needed.
 - Caterers selected – Little Richard's
O'Bryan's Deli for lunch
 - Time will be determined to assemble Swag bags. Sponsors for swag bags:
 - Wake Forest
 - WSSU
 - FTCC
 - Forsyth Hospital
 - Atrium Health
- Property Rental Request – A request was made for the use of the FCC kitchen. The person owns a hotdog cart and needs a place where they can clean and store supplies. The health department has guidelines that require supplies to be stored somewhere other than the hotdog cart, and cleaning cannot be done on the cart. Due to liability, the council agreed that this request cannot be honored at this time.

Next Meeting – 4/13/2025

Meeting adjourned with prayer at 12:45 p.m.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Angela McKenna