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Date – June 8, 2025

Attendees: Andy Askew, Donna Braddy, Paul Gillespie, Pastor David Harrison Jr., Nola Mann, Sydney Angel-Plessner, Adelina Vega, Angela McKenna

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

**Prayer** (Pastor Harrison)

**Approval of minutes –** Minutes approved as written

**Property Report** (Andy Askew)

* Repaired the HID yard light on the east side of the Sanctuary ( required a new capacitor). We will reinstall the light this week.
* General grounds maintenance, including trimming hedges in the memory garden and parking lot.
* Repaired the wiring on the trailer as sharp edges in the frame had worn through the insulation and shorted the wiring.
* The church purchased a Phillips defibrillator for $1474.00. It is currently in the choir room, but will be placed in the hallway outside the library doors. Training will be scheduled with Scott Andree Bowen.

**Treasurer Report** (Nola Mann/Paul Gillespie)

* Yesterday we received the financials through the end of May. Our total income in May was just over $6800.00 more than our expenditures, which brings us only $1538.11 short of break even for the first 5 months of the year.
* Updating the pledge campaign numbers, $375.00 was received in May, which gives us a total of $17,170.00 received of the $19,100.00 total that was pledged.

**Elder’s Report** (Pastor Harrison)

* The next Elder’s meeting is scheduled for 6/11/25. A report will be available for the July Leadership meeting.

**Diaconate Report** (Adelina Vega)

* The Deacon/ Greeter members are doing well. Recruitment is ongoing.
* We’re asking for additional support for the Regional Assembly.
* We need to recruit three people to help during Sunday on the Lawn, which will be held on the last Sunday in August, Labor Day Weekend.

**Christian Action Report** (Paul Gillespie)

* **New Communion –** Last Sunday, a total of 147 bags were given out to the homeless community at the Dwelling, which is the largest number of bags ever given out over there. It took two vehicles just to get that many bags to the site. We have moved some distribution dates away from June 19 and 20, to avoid any conflicts with the Regional Assembly.
* **Backpack –** We have agreed to provide 20 bags of food per week to Easton to be sent home with students needing food for the weekends during the four weeks of summer school.
* Mike Montgomery is still thinking of others as he spends his time in the hospital, as he has doctors, nurses, and other hospital staff filling food donation boxes that will assist both New Communion and the Backpack program.

**Youth Update (**Sydney Angel**)**

* Children’s church – resumed this Sunday after a 2-week pause.
* Teenagers’ events – The following plan for (late) July events:

- “Birthday party” for summer teens / packing birthday kits service project for
Crisis Control’s food pantry – will write up announcement and begin putting
in circulation
- ASU college tour day trip

* Youth Schedule Update - No Youth Worship service next week for Father’s Day

**New Business**

* Church Outing Planned—We are planning a church outing to a Dash baseball game on July 20, 2025. The cost will be $20/person, which includes a hot dog, chips, and a drink. Continue to work with Shelley to finalize.
* Regional Assembly:

**Logistics continue to be worked out.**

* **The Juneteenth event is not happening due to low signups.**
* **A private YouTube link will provide access for viewers. Alec will run the YouTube channel. A code will be preset and sent to registrants who can’t afford to attend in person.**
* The person who runs screens will not be here for the Regional Assembly. Roger will be running screens from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. An invoice was sent to the state office for the second technician to work from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
* Clergy class – hoping to fill all slots for this class; otherwise, this will be cancelled.
* Swag bags—Items are available to fill, and now await bags to be delivered. Plan to fill bags on Wednesday, 6/18. Volunteers who typically help fill bags at FCC for our homeless neighbors may be needed.
* Catering—Everything has been scheduled. Other churches have filled the roles of ushers and greeters. We will have additional tables outside if attendees want to enjoy nature while eating.
* Friday before the event, vendors will set up outside of Taylor Hall.
* Equipment needs - Messiah’s praise team is coming. We may need to provide additional handheld microphones.
* Cleaning – We will coordinate additional days with Lisa for cleaning.
* Outside cameras – These cameras have been reset, which provided additional free cloud storage. Pastor Harrison and Andy Askew will have the link to the site.
* Security – It has been observed that people are using the church parking lot to sleep in their cars. Please be aware of your surroundings at all times.
* Removal of old/broken furniture—An old piano and a broken outdoor table have been removed from the FCC property. One additional broken piano needs to be removed.

**Next Meeting** – 7/13/2025

**Meeting adjourned with prayer at 12:47 p.m.**

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Angela McKenna