



Church Council

Meeting Date: November 5, 2017
Meeting Time: 6:00 pm
Meeting Place: E 304

2017 Council Schedule: January 29 • April 2 • June 25 • September 10 • November 5

Mandarin United Methodist’s Mission/Vision

*Mandarin United Methodist Church:
 Transforming Lives by...*

- *Loving God and Neighbor*
- *Touching Hearts for God*
- *Equipping the Young*

Attendance:

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| Gerri Russell | Rich Clark | Suellen Kinsley | |
| John Russell | Anna Scharbo | Vicky Colbert | |
| Jim Clark | Bill Gardner | Rick Colbert | |
| Sandra Clark | Bill Renfro | Tami Hayes | |
| Rick Smith | Phillip McDowell | Riley Hayes | |
| Dan Davis | Jan McDowell | Sarah Colley | |
| Gene Strouse | Andrea Vrtikapa | David Ehrlich | |
| Sandy Strickland | Karen Webb | Sandy Webb | |
| Randy Gilbert | Randy Webb | Sheila Strouse | |
| Sheila Gilbert | Robin Overton | Howard Smith | |
| Ed Holmes | Mike Overton | Byron Goede | |
| Sarah Gilbert | Doug Cuthbert | | |
| Traci Thomas | Val Newsome | | |
| Rick Thomas | Bonnie Goede | | |
| Chris Pillay | Janson Kinsley | | |

Total 41

Minutes:

- Opening Prayer- John Russell
- Call to Order- John Russell called the Council to order at 6:00pm.
- Devotion- Pastor Anna Scharbo offered the devotion

Past Stewardship of our Time, Talent, and Treasure

- The September 10, 2017 minutes were approved without modification
- Chris Pillay delivered the stewardship report.
 - At this point, giving is behind last years.

Opportunities to Share our Time, Talent, and Treasure

- Dan Davis thanked the class of 2017 for their service and presented the new nominations.
 - The nominations were approved with a motion from Michael Maxwell followed by a second from Sandra Clark.
- Mike Overton proposal for the renewal of Chad Deetz’s candidacy for ordained ministry was approved.
- Pastor Debbie McLeod reviewed the removal of members and proposed its approval which was seconded by Val Newsome.

- John Russell reviewed the church vitality metrics.
 - These vitality metrics were worship, reaffirmations of faith, children and youth engagement, average giving, community impact, first time guests, gospel invitations.
- Pastor Jeff St. Clair delivered the Longleaf @ 210 update. This included discussion of the new small groups which launched September 24. The community events are on track to reach the goal of six by the end of 2017. There is a momentum building behind Fresh Expressions. The next step for Longleaf is building the Core 12 Team.

Closing Prayer and Benediction – Pastor Debbie McLeod closed the meeting with a prayer and benediction at 6:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Gilbert, Secretary