

## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING SYNOPSIS

02.19.24

1. **The Executive Council Meeting** was called to order at 7:01 pm by Chair Mike Thompson. John McClure gave the opening prayer. Voting members present were: Mike Thompson, James Gilbert, David Fenn, Dave Kafer, Ginny Bowman, Emily Besser, Trey Praytor, Julie Cowart, Jay Roberts, Rebecca Llenos, Sean Smith and Brandon Jones. Members absent were: Reggie Clemons, Eric Tompkins and Rick Jaramillo. Guests in attendance were: John McClure, Terri Hildebrand, Susan McElya, Bob Bryce and Amy Sprott.
2. The minutes from the January 22, 2024 Executive Council meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes as submitted was made by Jay Roberts and seconded by Julie Cowart. The motion carried.
3. **Ministry Reports/Updates:**
  - DISCIPLESHIP UPDATE: Susan McElya, Discipleship Director reviewed the information provided in the meeting packet and shared her vision regarding the what, how and why of Discipleship.
  - Clergy Reports included in the packet were referenced. John McClure shared that age-level ministries are busy with programming for the spring and summer.
  - KEY INDICATORS REPORT AND ATTENDANCE UPDATE/COMPARISON AND NEW MEMBERS REPORT: Mike Thompson reviewed the information provided in the meeting packet.
  - UPCOMING EVENTS: The Upcoming events were reviewed. John McClure encouraged everyone to subscribe to the upcoming FUMC Pearland Real Talk podcast.
4. **Strategic Conversations:**
  - Bishop Cynthia Harvey will preach at FUMC Pearland on February 25, 2024 8:30am (Traditional Worship) and 10:45am (NewSong Worship)
  - UMC General Conference will be held April 23 – May 3, 2024 in Charlotte, North Carolina. Reggie Clemons will attend as a representative of the General Council on Finance and Administration.
  - Texas Annual Conference will be held June 9-12, 2024.
5. **Sub-Committee Reports** from the meeting were:
  - Finance Sub-Committee: David Fenn reviewed the Year-end Financials as submitted in the meeting packet.
  - Trustees Sub-Committee: James Gilbert stated that the Trustees Walk thru the campus is complete. The list of items will be prioritized and completed. James stated

he has not had any further communication with the city of Pearland regarding the tree removal at FM518.

- Pastor Staff Parish Relations Sub-Committee: Emily Besser announced Charlotte Flader has been hired as the new Traditional Connections Coordinator.

A motion to accept the Subcommittee Reports as submitted was made by Julie Cowart and seconded by Rebecca Llenos. The motion carried.

**6. Other Business:** None

**7. Comments/Questions from Guests:-**None

**8. Priority Communication from This Meeting:**

- Request for clear communication and needs for communion on Sunday, 2/25 during the NewSong service.
- Request for information regarding ways to help/assist the Wesley Foundation group staying at the church in March.

**9. Next Meeting-**March 18, 2024

**10. Closing Prayer/Prayer Requests-**Prayer requests were offered and a prayer by James Gilbert:

Mike Thompson and family

Matt Lloyd

Sean Smith's father

Hockett family

Little family

Praise – birth of Ginny Bowman's granddaughter

**11. Adjournment-**A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by James Gilbert and seconded by Ginny Bowman. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.