

United Church of Christ Congregational – Wallace
Executive Board Meeting
February 23, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Ben Crosby at 10:52 a.m. Gail Carlson, Ben Crosby, Katie Bauer, and Alice Ling were present. Rick Ehram was absent.

Alice Ling led an opening prayer. The agenda was approved.

The minutes for 12.29.24 were approved. The minutes for the Annual Meeting 1.26.25 were also approved.

Clerk issues: minutes will be sent out prior to the next meeting of the Executive Board. The Clerk will post minutes on the website after they are approved. Ben will start a new page for 2025 for minutes, letters, etc. We need to access the safe and update the Clerk's book. The current book is almost full.

Gail has offered to help with correspondence.

Supply pastor's report: Alice asked how we should proceed with OGHS. We will continue to participate and plan to do so on March 30th. Alice suggested that we plan for worship on April 27th since she will be attending the UCC conference. Would we like to lead that together as a congregation? We will continue to follow up on membership for new members.

Treasurer's report: The Treasurer's report was received. Ben has moved a portion of "supply pastor" funds to "benefits" to better designate mileage in the budget.

Old business: Thermostats have been installed. Ben was able to turn the thermostat down from home when church was canceled last week.

New business: snow removal is not serving our needs. Two weeks ago, Rick spent a lot of time on snow removal and Neal came after church.

Wheelchair access is also challenging, both due to snow and uneven sidewalks.

The Board recognizes that hard surfaces need some custodial attention inside the building.

We need to identify some steps to transfer the Treasurer role from Ben to Rick. Ben drafted a letter to add Rick as a signer on the checking account, but we will need to discuss this at a meeting when Rick is present.

Calendar: Joyce Dunphy's memorial and reception will be March 29th at 1:00 p.m. Music concert—Memorial Day weekend. John Thielman potluck June 14th, 11:30-2:30 at the Wallace Elks. March 14-15th: 7th Day Adventist Church will be renting our building. They have returned their agreement, \$200, and Rick will be their contact. Will we have a Maundy Thursday service this year? We will be asking the congregation for input.

Next meetings: March 9th and April 13th.

Alice Ling led a closing prayer.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Bauer, Clerk