United Church of Christ Congregational – Wallace Executive Board Meeting July 13, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Ben Crosby at 10:39 a.m. Gail Carlson, Ben Crosby, Katie Bauer, Rick Ehrsam and Alice Ling were present.

Alice Ling led an opening prayer. The agenda was approved with the addition of the chimney to Old Business.

The minutes for June 8th were approved.

Pastor's report: Alice asked for feedback regarding today's Communion. We served Communion near the chancel and agreed it was inviting, but we had a few awkward moments passing the elements.

Treasurer's report: The Treasurer's report was received. Ben commented that contributions from the Seventh Day Adventists appear to be having a positive impact on our finances.

Old Business: There has not been progress on the chimney issue. Ben gave Katie contact information for the man that previously worked on the chimney. Ben reported that our fire extinguishers need an inspection, but that it has been difficult to arrange. Rick offered to bring the fire extinguishers out for inspection during the week, but Ben is going to try to schedule a visit first. Gail and Ben have a plan for disposing of the old kitchen range.

New Business: The WiFi mesh network is not functioning well. Ben suggested that he and Alice would like to purchase a stronger router that will serve as a single node for WiFi. The Board approves. N-Sid-Sen is celebrating its 90th anniversary August 16-17, 2025. The Board agreed that we should have a presence there. Breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m. and the Sunday service will be at 10:30 a.m. There is also overnight accommodation available. Reservations are required for meals and lodging. We will cancel our Wallace worship for those that choose not to attend.

Calendar: Worship leaders—August 3rd: Rev. Andy CastroLang; August 10th: Rev. Catherine Foote; August 17th: N-Sid-Sen celebration; September 14th: Rev. Andy CastroLang; September 21st: Dr. Morag Stewart

Our next meeting is August 10th.

Alice Ling led a closing prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Katie Bauer, Clerk