United Church of Christ Congregational – Wallace Executive Board Meeting October 19, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Ben Crosby at 10:55 a.m. Gail Carlson, Ben Crosby, Katie Bauer, and Alice Ling were present.

Alice Ling led an opening prayer. The agenda was approved, and the minutes were approved.

The minutes of the August 24th meeting were approved.

Pastor's report: Blanket Sunday will be scheduled for a Sunday in November. Andy CastroLang is still willing to come next week and will remain on the calendar.

Treasurer's report: The Treasurer's report was received. The trust account has increased in value.

Old Business:

- 1. Fire extinguishers inspection 10/24.
- 2. The church sign is here and needs framing and installation.
- 3. Ben is replacing the hinges on the front door. This project is in progress.
- 4. New flooring for the bathroom will cost approximately \$200-250 for materials. Trim and a new fan will be another \$50-100. We will try to use the current toilet.
- 5. The WiFi project is complete. Hearing assist was never properly installed. Ben is completing the installation.
- 6. The Seventh Day Adventists have offered to remove the old stove.
- 7. Diana Pierce (Seventh Day Adventists) is also looking for chimney repair options.
- 8. Seventh Day Adventists are going to try to move back into their church for worship in the next few weeks.

New Business:

- 1. Church safety—conversation about whether to lock doors during worship. We will continue to consider.
- 2. Stewardship campaign—Ben will draft a letter with donation cards.
- 3. Budget meeting date: November 16th.
- 4. Budget for next year will include the grant proposal and expenses are significantly greater. We had a discussion of budget and what to present.
- 5. Advent begins 11/30. We plan to decorate the church that day. Alice will recruit candlelighters and readers for advent.
- 6. We will have a Christmas Eve service and ask members about timing.
- 7. Annual meeting date: January 25th.

Calendar: Worship leaders—October 26th Rev. Andy CastroLang

Next Executive Board meeting: November 12th at 4:00 p.m.

Election: November 4th

Annual budget meeting: November 16th

Alice Ling led a closing prayer.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Katie Bauer, Clerk