

Trustees Meeting Minutes
Downs United Methodist Church
July 6, 2004

- **Present:** Curt Rush, Darla Lanchester, George Lewis, Lyndall Cuba, Dale Palmer, Andre McNaught, Shari Riley
- Curt opened with prayer.
- Shari made a motion the June meeting minutes be approved with the amendment below. Andre seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - **Correction to the June 1, 2004 minutes:** The price of the Sunday School chairs was \$19.84 each, not \$1984 total for 25 chairs. (A decimal place was inadvertently left out of the cost in the previous minutes.)
- **Old Business:**
 - **Update on New Parsonage:** Lyndall said the sod is growing well, and the shrubs look good. Grieder's did a great job with landscaping. Curt has gas hooked up to the grill on the deck. The basement bathroom is being worked on. Thursday will be the final inspection. The doors for the basement are all stained, and they just need to be put back on the hinges. Garage walls still need to be sanded and painted, but that's not necessary for the final inspection. Lyndall or George will contact the company who will pour the concrete for driveway, to see when this can be finished.
 - **Update on New Church Building:** George gave everyone a copy of the letter to the landowners, which exercises the church's option to buy the land. This option will be executed soon. There was a meeting a week or so ago with neighborhood people who will live near church. Potential concerns were: water run-off, traffic on Washington, parking lot lighting (which may be alleviated by directed lighting), and parking lot appearance (which may be alleviated by partial screening with shrubbery), potential trash accumulation. Everything looks workable.
 - George will talk to school about 8" tile through their property which may help the with the water run-off concern voiced.
 - George will have Lori (village contact) start the rezoning agreement meetings. After these meetings, the zoning board will give a recommendation to the village trustees. Our attorney has already prepared the first draft of the rezoning agreement.
 - Morton will render color drawings (exterior view) of the new facility for \$2500. This cost was not included in the price we were given for architectural drawings. We will see if we can get them in color for a better price somewhere else first.
 - We will need a building committee to oversee the building the new church—four to six people. Let George know if you'd like to be a member.
 - For the next meeting, we will need to know financial status from John Werner, Finance Committee Chair. (Ex: When can we start to build? When can we start payments? Can we start in Oct, Nov, Dec?) We will use estimates for the bid, since we don't have bids yet.
- Shari made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Dale seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.