

Trustees Meeting Minutes
Downs United Methodist Church
June 4, 2006

- **Present:** Jon Spelde, Darla Lanchester, Ken Garling, Andre McNaught, Craig Solvie
- Jon opened with prayer.
- **Old Business:**
 - **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Andre made a motion to approve the May meeting minutes. Ken seconded. Motion carried.
 - **Memorial Money:** Darla made a motion the church consult a lawyer, along with the family involved with the memorial, to see if the money can be applied to sending kids to camps instead of capital improvements. Craig seconded. Motion carried.
- **New Business:**
 - **May 7 Property Congregational Vote:** Vote to purchase was approved by congregation.
 - **Other Property to Consider:** There are 22 acres across Route 150 from the property we are interested in buying (part of the Bethel trust). The cost of 22 acres is \$10,000 an acre, unless the acreage is split, then the cost is \$17,500 an acre. Discussed asking for “first right of refusal” on 22 acres in case the church wants to expand to a larger site, create a camp or a mission, etc. Craig made a motion we ask for a “first right of refusal” on the 22 acres. Andre seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - **Access to New Property from School:** Three school board members will meet with three church members (Jon, George Lewis, Andre McNaught) on June 19 to work through the details of accessing our property from the school’s road. Craig Solvie will be an alternate in case one of the three from our church cannot attend.
 - **New Property Purchase Details:** Cost is \$10, 000 an acre. Ron Turner is Bill Bethel’s attorney. We will split the survey costs with Mr. Bethel. There will be a 1% down payment. Mr. Bethel will sell us a strip of land that borders Bruning’s property (i.e, an easement). Jon will check to see how wide the strip needs to be. (It was agreed between the seller and us that the purchase agreement will include a “first right of refusal” for the easement area.)
 - **Work Day at Parsonage:** In preparation for the new pastor, we may need to hold a work day.
 - **Work Orders:**
 - Signs directing people to our church: No update.
 - Annex sink: No update.
 - Andre made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ken seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 7:03 pm.