

**GREENSBORO UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATE MEMBERS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 A.M. by John Hewett, an Associate Member serving on the Church Council. Fourteen Associate Members attended.

The minutes of the Annual meeting of August 9, 2009 were approved,

I. REPORTS OF THE ASSOCIATE MEMBERS SERVING ON BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

A. Church Council – John Hewett

John Hewett defined the task of the Church Council. He said that the last meeting of the Church Council focused on the Fourth of July barbecue. The next meeting of the Church Council is scheduled for Tuesday evening, August 10, 2010.

B. Trustees – Jerry Brown (no report)

1. John Hewett said that Jerry has, in the past, voiced enthusiasm for everything that the Church does in the community.
2. Andy Dales thanked the Associate Members for all that they've done, especially in the last few years, in effort, work, and financial contributions. He encouraged us to think and pray about everything we want to accomplish.

C. Deacons – Anne Parke

1. Anne said that she receives minutes from the Deacons all year round. She praised them as a hardworking group.
2. John Hewett said that the Deacons are charged with membership and he praised both the Deacons and Tony for the recent membership list.

D. Christian Education – Marian Lorenz (no report)

1. Marian said that she was not able to continue on the committee.
2. Nancy Akley Henderson volunteered to be the new Associate Member representative to the Christian Education Committee.
3. The primary current task of Christian Education is to find a new director.
4. The Christian Education Committee has reportedly had a good year.

E. Mission Board – Lisa Hewett (no report)

II. PROPOSED SLATE TO BE FORWARDED TO THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR ELECTION AT THE ANNUAL MEETING ON AUGUST 15, 2010

- A. Church Council - Dirk Lorenz
- B. Trustees - John Hewett
- C. Deacons - Jackie Lovett
- D. Christian Education - Nancy Akley Henderson
- E. Mission Board - Jenneke Barton

These people are elected for a three year term. The amended slate was unanimously approved.

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III. PROPOSED SLATE TO BE ELECTED BY ASSOCIATE MEMBERS FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR

- A. Pastoral Relations - Anne Parke
- B. Secretary - Marian Lorenz

The proposed slate was unanimously approved.

IV. SUMMER LECTURE SERIES – DIRK LORENZ

Dirk Lorenz reported on the four excellent lectures given in Fellowship Hall this summer and asked for money for honoraria for the guest speakers.

V. MINISTER'S REPORT – TONY ACHESON

- A.** Tony says that he values the Associate Members' financial support as well as the energy that they bring. He added that he enjoys preaching in the summer to such a thoughtful and responsive group.
- B.** He said that a new brochure has been created by the church.
- C.** Tony said that the church tries hard to communicate well with everyone. He asked anyone interested in Associate Membership to let the church know if they want to be added as Associate Members.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Church Brochure

A church brochure was developed earlier this year. It will be eligible for revision as time elapses and we respond to it.

B. “Friends” versus Associate Members

Tony explained that “friends” are people who help the church (e.g. Jim Carpenter, monastery folks, and a wide gamut of people who help the church) but who have not chosen to become Associate Members.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A.** Tony said that they're talking about ways to make the church better known. (Examples: possible packet to real estate agents; “bring a friend” Sundays, etc.)
- B.** Kick-off Sunday for the Sunday School year is September 19, 2010. All families who have children involved in the church will be telephoned and invited.
- C.** Ken Wylie of Evanston, Illinois said that we should emphasize discipleship and that we need to find ways to fit our Christian concerns into our daily work.
- D.** B.J. Gray suggested that children of the church could draw pictures welcoming other children (“kids welcoming other kids”).

The meeting was adjourned at twelve noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian B. Lorenz
Secretary, Associate Members