

Lakeview UCC Executive Council
July 28, 2026

Present: Karen Baumann, Rosemary Ennis, Kathy Baughman, Julie Peterson, Rob Schorry, Anthony Spearheart

Absent: Bob Barrows, Adam Paul, Corey Nieman

Meeting called to order by Rob Schorry at 7:02 PM

Anthony gave the opening prayer.

Karen made a motion to approve the last minutes. Rob seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

- The Pension Board has been paid, and all other bills have been paid.
- Kathy made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Julie seconded. Motion passed.

Pastor's Report (includes Youth report)

- Common Grounds is going well. Anthony plans to start visiting individuals/families in their homes, as they desire. How to set this up will be in the August LINK. He would also like to have people meeting in small groups, perhaps having a meal together.
- Anthony has been having conversations with Corey about Confirmation. What it would look like, when it might occur. We would create our own curriculum, as nothing available works with our vision.
- Youth classes are going well. Anthony would like to meet with the Youth during worship time once a month or so to hear their visions and how we can help. If it works out, he would like to do the first one on Aug. 30. He would get someone to fill the pulpit on those Sundays.

- He would also like to see Room 7 be available only for the Youth and not outside groups, so they have a feeling of ownership for their room. Rosemary made a motion for this. Julie seconded. Motion passed.
- Anthony would like a 2 week vacation after closing his business in Wapakoneta, and moving his household here.
- PACT-Anthony's survey on 3 people we trust was to help him find members to serve on PACT through the end of this year. At January's annual Congregational meeting, members would be voted on to serve on PACT for 2027.
- Anthony has received requests for aid (Kroger cards) and a specific request that has received donations for it.
- There was a short discussion on the history of the Pastor's Discretionary Fund (PDF). It is kept separate from other church funds. We started with our PDF funds at Chase Bank (Karen is not a fan), but we lost money because they charged a \$15 fee because we didn't have a large enough amount with them. We are currently with 1st Financial Bank.
Anthony said UCC has a credit union with some good interest rates. Rosemary will look into whether this is a viable option for PDF funds.
- Anthony's house closing is on Aug. 28 with moving happening the following Monday. Rosemary will co-ordinate with Anthony on writing a check to begin payment for the move.

Old business

- Discussion on whether to continue paying Natalie and Corey an extra \$500 per month.
- Rosemary made a motion to pay the extra \$500 for August and then re-assess at our meeting in August. Kathy seconded. Motion passed.

Scout project

- There has been a request by an Eagle Scout to rebuild the Dumpster area. Karen made a motion to agree to this. Rosemary seconded. Motion passed.

Maintenance

- Teasdale and insurance is going slowly, but there is hope. Their bill says they replaced the carpet, but they didn't. They are billing for carpet cleaning and we need to see if that actually happened.
- Discussion on bids for the many things that need to be fixed. Roof and parking lot are top priorities.
- Karen made a motion that we apply to Cornerstone for \$200,000 to be added to our mortgage to pay for repairs. Kathy seconded and motion passed. Anthony wondered if energy efficient credits are available for some of the repairs.
- We will call a congregational meeting on Aug 23 to get approval for the loan. Cost estimates will be available to the congregation 2 weeks prior to the meeting.
 - After our meeting, we discovered the 23rd was a Lunch and Learn Sunday, so on Aug. 2 after church, Council met and changed the congregational meeting to Aug 30.

Odds and Ends

- We have received a request from MARCC to host a public meeting with the Warren County Sheriff Office to discuss processes regarding ICE and the community. Karen made a motion to host, Rosemary seconded and motion passed.
- Mimi once again asked us to host a SONKA gathering, this time in October. Because chances are good that we will be under some kind of construction, we respectfully decline. Anthony will pass along this info to Mimi.

The next Council meeting will be held Tues, Aug 25 on Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 8:23.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Baughman, Recording Secretary