

**MINUTES**  
**CHAIRES UMC – CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**October 17, 2017**  
[Agenda was provided to all attendees. Copy attached.]

**1. OPENING DEVOTION AND PRAYER**

Marty Holland opened the meeting in prayer at 6:30 pm.

**Chairperson Comments** – Marty got the cables needed to connect the sound system between the two church buildings.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Nurture – Maggie Hall** – Maggie gave a verbal and written report.

**Outreach – Evelyn Brown** – Evelyn reported that Porch de Solomon is in need of a \$60 per month commitment, however we are not set up to handle monthly donations/payments, only our designated Sunday.

**Staff-Parish Relations – Susan Grantham** – the committee has had discussions regarding an interim choir director, but no decisions has been made at this time. Plan is to have a new director by January, same as with the secretary position. Job descriptions need to be reviewed and updated.

**Trustees – Rick Davies** –

- Good job was done pressure washing the church.
- Limbs from the oak tree are down and cut up.
- Clean up day is scheduled for 10/21/17 from 9-12.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> estimate for replacing all lights to LED has been received. Rick is following up with vendor to make sure that everything is included (removing ballast and the wiring, etc.)
- Bids for the moving the parsonage electric meter were \$2115 and \$1915.

**Finance – Ashley Leggett** – September financials were distributed. Special notes for September included the new heat pump expense for the parsonage and the missed Sunday due to the hurricane.

**PASTORS COMMENTS –**

- Charge Conference was great.
- Pete Peters was affirmed/approved by all present as a member of the SPRC for the remainder of 2017 & 2018.
- Chaires UMC has an opportunity to build a community connection with the elementary school by participating in the National Reading Week as volunteers. Background checks will be required for all volunteers. No dates yet.
- Discipleship Sermon series will be for five weeks.
- The Generative Leadership Academy has not met again.

**ADDITIONAL CONCERNS/ITEMS –**

**CLOSING PRAYER**

Rev. Douty closed the meeting in prayer at 7:00 pm.

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 6:30 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lucia Lightfoot