

The church council met on Monday July 3. The following is a report of that meeting.

Board of Education: Brandy Schneider worked with Luella the last two weeks of June as part of the transition to her new role with the early childhood program. The board is looking at ways to meet staffing requirements so parents could have more time to drop off children for school and still make it to work on time. Brandy will be attending the Mo. District administrators conference.

Board of Stewardship and Spiritual Life: The board presented the proposed budget for the next fiscal year. The council recommended the budget be presented to the voters assembly.

Board of Trustees: The air conditioner for the parsonage quit working during the first hot spell in June and could not be repaired. A new air conditioner was installed for the parsonage. The air conditioner for the lower level of the church will need to be replaced when it quits working. It is hoped the air conditioner will last through the cooling season and a new can be installed at the beginning of next cooling season. A little over half of the cost of a new air conditioner has been raised and is in the air conditioner fund. The council approved that the remaining half of the chili supper funds be designated for the new air conditioner.

Board of Evangelism and Worship: Vacation Bible School is next week. Preparations are being made in the school basement. Additional cookies may be needed for refreshments.

Board of Deacons: One official act this month. The shut in list remains about the same. It was noted that with the return of the 10:30 service, several of our members are now able to make it to Sunday worship. The board is continuing to work on a mission statement for Zion. Some of that information was presented to the members of the council for them to review.

Pastor's report: Pastor talked about the change to the communion cards. Members no longer need to fill the cards out prior to communion. Reasoning for this is information from these cards has not been recorded and there is no need to collect this information. Visitors taking communion are asked to fill the card out prior to communion. Interest has been expressed about a church pictorial directory. The council noted it has been several years since the last pictorial directory was completed and many of our members in that directory are no longer with us and many of our young members with children now were children at the time of the last directory. The consensus of the council was to proceed with this project if some of our members come forward to work on that project. If you would like to work on this project, contact any of the church officers or the church office.

Mark your calendar for the voters meeting on Monday July 10 at 7:00 pm. All members of Zion who are at least 18 years old are encouraged to attend and participate in the business decisions of Zion.

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