

Cherry Log Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Congregational Meeting December 14, 2014
Minutes of the Meeting

The congregation was called to order. Congregational meetings require a quorum of one-third of the participating membership to be present and voting. A simple majority of the members present and voting will decide the items to be voted on before the Congregation. It was determined that over one-third of the participating membership was present and voting.

Sharon Meek, Moderator called the meeting to order. Sharon indicated that there will be 3 items for the congregation to vote on. These items were:

1. The 2015 proposed budget by the finance committee. Proposed budget was available for viewing by the congregation.

The Finance committee, Council chairs, and Church Committees worked very hard this year to come up with a Budget that is fiscally responsible given the size of our church and giving history. The Finance Committee proposed a budget of \$500,243, which is \$52,000 less than last year's budget.

The 2015 proposed budget included:

- a. Reduced personnel costs because of the generous offer of our pastor to take a pay cut and reduce his reimbursable expenses.
 - b. Reduced costs by the committees to items that are absolutely necessary. The finance committee was grateful for the sacrifice of each of the committees to help the church.
 - c. A slight increase in local mission because we continue to be a "Doing" church.
 - d. A significant decrease in our building expenses due to our negotiations with Church Extension to reduce our monthly payment from a yearly cost of \$168,168 to \$130,000.
2. Authorization for the Church Trustees to sell the Old Craddock Center property, once The Craddock Center has taken possession of the Church on the Hill.
 3. Approval of the Gift offered by Robin Norsworthy to give our church her ministry skills.

According to the church by-laws, these items require only simply majority of the members present. After discussion regarding each of these items, ballots were handed out and voted on by secret ballot. Results: 110 votes were cast. Item 1: Budget - 108 yes, 3 no; Item 2: Sell of Old Craddock Center property – 105 yes, 3 no, and 2 abstained; Item 3: Robin Norsworthy gift - 110 yes.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Results: All three measures passed overwhelmingly.

The items were approved by the congregation. Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Meek, Church Moderator