

MPC (Milford Presbyterian Church) Self Study Team

Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2011 6:50 – 8:50 pm

Attendance:

Team Members:

Dean Burklund

Mark Gatesman

Jon McLeod

Karen Nave

Sandy Trombley

Presbytery Representatives:

Bill Zambon *ex.*

Kathy Gage *ex.*

Co-Interim Pastors:

Kent Clise *ex.*

Anne Schaefer *ex.*

Dean Burklund opened our meeting with prayer at 6:40 pm.

We discussed our current status, and Sandy reviewed the documents that we have in our report. As we reviewed the documents, we decided to explore the information regarding Average Attendance for Children and Youth as reported from the General Assembly reports. It appears that those numbers really reflect enrollment. This was discussed because our average attendance of adult worship at the peak was 400+ people and the GA chart reported at our peak 375+ for Children and Youth. Jon McLeod will check with Becky and re-label the charts appropriately. (We understand that we (MPC) submitted this information to GA...but we want our reports to reflect what the actual data really meant.)

We also decided to make the charts of Sections 1 and 2 of the Survey look much like the Section 2 and 3 charts. We have a good draft of all documents except our Small Group Sessions and our Discernment Comments.

Karen will put a draft together summarizing our Small Group Sessions incorporating her meeting with the Youth for our next meeting.

We discussed the recommendations for Discernment from the Document “What Makes a Terrific Congregational Self-Study? We are all to review our concluding statements and send our final copies to Dean by the end of the day, Saturday, November 19, 2011 so that he can prepare a DRAFT document for that portion for our next meeting.

At our meeting on Tuesday, November 22, our plan is to make final revisions and to conclude our formal meetings as a team. We hope to finalize any last minute grammatical changes on line together. We will also prepare information for the congregation once Session and perhaps the Committee on Ministry have approved our report.

Our goal is to have a document ready for Session for their December meeting. More details to follow as we decide exact timing when that document can be ready. This is Jon’s last meeting with us since he and Billie are leaving for Florida next Tuesday morning.

Sandy Trombley closed our meeting in prayer at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Trombley