

Finance Meeting Minutes  
Prospect United Methodist Church  
October 6, 2015

In Attendance: Chairman Lang Ashworth, Carla Heister, Jackie Palance, Pastor Bob Sorozan, and Don Titus

Minutes From Last Meeting: The minutes from the meeting of May 12, 2015 were approved as written. The Finance Committee did not formally meet during the months of June, July, August, and September of 2015.

Old Business: None

New Business: Pastor Sorozan announced that the annual Charge Conference will be held at PUMC on December 6th at 3:00 p.m. The Finance Committee agreed to hold its meetings on the first Thursday of each month.

Financial Report: At the end of September, 2015, PUMC faced a total deficit of \$15,589.

\$2,958	outstanding bills
4,960	Quinoco oil
5,218	PUMC apportionment (3 months)
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-\$13,136	
-	2,453 General Fund shortfall
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On the income side, year-to-date pledge income (\$80,258) lagged a little behind year-to-date budgeted pledge income (\$82,500) Special offering income was down. On the expense side, PUMC was doing fairly well because the cost of heating oil was substantially less. Insurance also covered the cost of roof repairs. Pastor Sorozan noted that PUMC was doing fairly well with its general budget, but some of the deficit could be attributed to the fact that the Church entered the 2015 year with a deficit that has contributed to this year's budget shortfall.

The Committee designated November 15th as pledge Sunday. Pledge cards, envelopes, and newsletters will be mailed to parishioners by October 26th. Parishioners will be thanked for their past support and urged to catch up on their current pledge if they have fallen behind. Chairman Ashworth also hoped more could be done to encourage electronic giving. Ways to make the church available for weddings and other functions to increase building revenue were also discussed.

Next Meeting: The Finance Committee will meet on Thursday, November 5, 2015 at  
7:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Titus