

**Board of Stewards
Friendswood Methodist Church
September 18, 2017**

Those present: Preston Armistead, Rev. Jim Bass, Kim Brizendine, Lisa Chisholm, Dennis Cruse, Pete Halvorson, Laura Hetsko, Rick Powers, Amy Reynolds, Walter Wills (Trustees), Lillian Wilson **Not present:** Travis Meredith (SPR), Randy Russell
Associates present: Anita Griffith, Rev. Howard Huhn, Ken Lair (Finance), Rick Meyers (Facilities)

Devotional: Lillian from Philippians 3:20-29 (next devotional – Kim)

Minutes: Let it reflect in the minutes of this meeting that repair of the Wesley Hall AC was approved by email circulation

Principle-Based Governance (Board of Stewards framework): Amy & Pete will work on & bring to next meeting

Finance:

- No fall stewardship - will wait until January 2018
- There will be a Jubilee givers letter going out
- Kim Brizendine was asked to be Stewardship appointee - he will think about it
- Ken handed out spreadsheet – July a normal month
- In September health & pension was waived by the Conference on the church's side due to Hurricane Harvey
- If cuts need to be made in 2018 – apportionments will be first cut
- Jim will prepare a letter showing where we are on Finances

Facilities:

- Current level of approval for Rick is \$3,000, will push that up to \$5,000. Costs of more than \$5,000 & contracts for over 1 year will be brought to the Board. Rick spoke of there needing to be a balance between getting bids & maintaining vendor relationships.
- Walter will work on preparing a proposed document to show where the authority is at differing levels.

Upcoming:

- Mission Conference on hold for a year
- Charge Conference on November 6 at Friendswood Methodist
- All-Church Meeting on October 29 to approve the 2018 budget & nominations
- Nomination Committee will meet on October 3, 10 & 17
- Next Board of Stewards will be October 16
- Date not yet set for Staff/Parish & pastor evaluations