

First Methodist Church Alvin  
Leadership Board Meeting Minutes  
June 17, 2025

Mission: Make More and Stronger Disciples of Jesus Christ

Vision: Setting the Table for the Next Generation

Members Present:

Katie Austin  
Suzanne Carso  
Kenny Carter  
Kirby Dickinson  
Shary Horn

Larry Huffman  
NA Keithley  
Cathy Miglicco  
Carol Ortega

Members Absent:

Chad Fontenot

Guest:

Roxann Corona

I. Opening Prayer

- A. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.
- B. Kenny Carter opened the meeting with prayer.

II. Spiritual Formation

Cathy Miglicco

Remembering God's Faithfulness: What has God done for you this week? Are we remembering church leadership as a heavy burden or with a sacred joy of serving? Biblical leadership is not just looking ahead but looking back. God's footprints are seen in everything that we've been through this past year. In the book of Lamentations 3:21-23, Jeremiah was surrounded by ashes of ruin...everything was destroyed. He remembered God's faithfulness and it became his rock of hope. Cathy provided rocks for each of us to write: What is one moment that you saw God's faithfulness in your ministry of leadership? How far he's already brought us. She gathered our rocks and will send out a list of what we wrote on our rocks.

III. Strategic Formation

Item 1: Update from Finance Subcommittee

Katie Austin  
Roxann Corona

Roxann brought a handout. She stated that June will look better because of the insurance and giving has been more than what we budgeted.

Item 2: Update from Trustee Subcommittee

Cathy Miglicco

Cathy shared that they will be meeting tomorrow. John Mize has just joined us to fix things. He's already repaired decking in playground. AC in sanctuary will be in by June 24<sup>th</sup>. Other AC has been acting up...new motors. Will be trying a new product to sound proof wall in children's wing. Work order has been made to repair cement by dumpster. Handrails needed to walk up steps to stages in the sanctuary and fellowship hall.

Item 3: Update from SPRC Subcommittee

NA Keithley

NA brought in the 45 submitted congregation surveys concerning preferences for our new pastor and expects some may still come in. The surveys submitted by age range: 12-20 years 1; 50+ years 10; 70+ years 24. The #1 Spiritual was top choice by far! #2 Pastoral Care, #3 Congregational & Community Engagement, #4 Church Administration, #5 Continue Growing, and #6 Staff Overview and Development.

Item 4: Pastor's Report

Kenny Carter

Kenny shared the following:

- Sunday baptisms were a great success as scripture unfolded including all ages.
- VBS is well underway.
- Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> Betsy will be preaching and the Mexico Missions group will be commissioned. Heather and Jon Pierce joining the church.
- Ivey Essentials will create the bags on Monday and distribute them this Wednesday. The Soroptimist donated \$1500.
- Carol Ortega serving to organize a care team for visitations.
- Men's breakfast speaker will be Corey Simon in June and Bill Hawk will be speaking in July.
- June 29 Darrell Bailey will be preaching.
- July 6 Stephanie Harris will be preaching and there will be a good bye reception.
- July 13 Caribbean Pot Luck dinner. Beginning new sermon series based upon the 7 I AM statements of Jesus out of the gospel of John.
- Matthew may begin to work on web site and social media. If so, we will need to compensate him.
- September Town Hall meeting: Centered on the great ministry that God is allowing us to be a part of. Where we are. What we would like to do. How you can give to help.
- Fueled Up developing Wednesday Family Night.

Item 5: Update of Board

Shary Horn

Shary provided handout showing the board members and what years they are serving. Board members who are rotating off for at least one year and replacements will be needed. Others at the end of their term may reapply. Please be in prayer about this.

Investments under Trustees

Shary provided handouts entitled Proposed Combining for Investments and 2025 FMC Investments. She discussed the indicated moves to combine for investing and interests.

Guiding Principles

The subcommittee to revamp the Guiding Principles provided handout. Board members are asked to proof read them (especially the following pages). Mark them in red and bring them back to Shary at the next board meeting, July 15, 2025.

Pg. 11 paragraphs from GMC (3 separate paragraphs)

Pg. 15 charge conference differences

Pg. 17

After Executive Session

MOTION: NA Keithley made a motion to accept Stephanie Harris's resignation and authorize Kenny Carter to accept a written exit interview after July 6th. Suzanne Carso seconded. Unanimous approval.

IV. Closing Prayer and Adjournment

A. NA Keithley closed the meeting in prayer.

B. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. on June 17, 2025.