



Brevard First UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Board of Stewards Agenda

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 6:30PM

Attendance : Jay Farrell, Carol Rutledge, Brittany Ingold, Jamie Gilmore, Mike Harle, Katrina Cantler, Brittany Whitmire

Via Zoom : Veranita Alvord, Jeremy Gibbs?

Time Keeper	Katrina
Opening prayer	Brittany W
Devotion	Brittany W
Closing Prayer	Katrina

☐ **September 2025 minutes review and approval**

a. Approved

☐ **Ministries Updates (8 min total)**

a. Cultivate - Debra

b. Grow - Katrina

- i. The children and youth council met last week. Confirmation class will start in January.
- ii. In lieu of the Trunk or Treat, we will have a pumpkin Fest right after the conclusion of the pumpkin lunch on 10/26. The church is providing BBQ and slaw, everyone else will bring a pumpkin side or desert. The fest will start at 1:00PM.
- iii. ENGAGE will be meeting this Sunday 10.19, they'll be making succulent pumpkins!
- iv. FLAME will be gathering on 10.21, 36 people have RSVP'd so far. They will meet monthly on the 3rd Tuesday, normally.
- v. The Christmas blessing Tree will come up on **November 9th** & down on **November 30th**.

c. Nurture - Jay

- i. Revitalize a visitation ministry called "Contact Ministry". Nancy Watts and Jay are planning this. Nancy plans to get together with Veranita to discuss the future of this ministry.
- ii. Handbells are meeting, tons of new people have been joining.
 1. Steve Pagano has volunteered to build cabinets to organize the handbells better. We are fortunate to have him help with this new job!
- iii. Not too much to say about the other groups going on - all is going well.

d. Serve - Jamie

- i. From the last meeting, the blessing box is UP and fully stocked. It gets checked on twice a week to ensure that it stays stocked, clean and tidy. We've had a great response the past two Sundays from congregation members bringing donated items for the box. Jamie is watching weekly to see what goes to see what the most popular items are. Things have slowed down since the patch, probably because of visibility issues.



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- ii. Jay is working on a Poverty Simulation, we are hosting this on 2.1.26. Emily Lowery will be hosting. This event will help people understand homelessness. We are at the planning stages of this.
- iii. Bread of Life is hoping to open a Weekend Saturday Lunch Feeding day. If this moves forward, our church will take a Saturday. We are hoping that we can put together small teams of people who can rotate in and out.
- iv. Bread of Life did a mission moment in August, we brought in \$1,300.
- v. We will not have a Mission Moment in October 2025.
- vi. Alan Winchester is on deck for the 2nd Sunday in November to discuss his mission moment.

e. Pastors Update

- i. Charge Conference was supposed to be on 10.8 (this didn't work out due to CHOW & Choir practices)
 - 1. New date : Tuesday 11.11 at 6:30PM at Skyland UMC. We need a list of available people for this event. Clergy compensation, leadership & attentive budget are the 3 things that need to be discussed.
- ii. Approving the Interfaith Series speaker (sponsored by the Brevard Jewish Community) on 12.7.25, Joseph Lam
 - 1. Approved, Katrina will make sure that there is cookies & drinks
- iii. Two anonymous donors

October Christmas Celebration Service

Debra

☐ **Personnel**

Mike

a. Music Director - Search Committee Updates

- i. Sarah Moser has agreed to lead the Search Committee Group. She's been a long time member of the church & is classically trained on the piano!
- ii. This will be a small committee of just around 5 people. Nancy Ester, Kerry Purselle, Fred Cantler and Jeremy Gibbs will be a part of the committee with Sarah Moser leading.
- iii. This will be an open, transparent process. The congregation will be involved. If people want to share their opinions with the search team committee, they can!

b. Staff Evaluations

- i. An email with information on how and what to do will go out to the BOS tomorrow.

Finance and Budget

Peter

☐ **Facilities Update**

Eli

a. Facilities Use Inventory

- 1. Neighbors of the Caldwell parking lot did in fact add on to our rebuilt privacy fence. We'd given them permission to do so.
- 2. **Wood lot:** signage is up in accordance with the City's strict guidelines, the lot is being filled for the upcoming season.
- 3. Kitchen new roofing has been completed with the final invoices paid.



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- 4. Looking forward to Methodist Drive paving getting started.
- b. **Pardee/Methodist Drive Construction Updates**
- c. **Letter from WCP Director (Sabrina Tyler), regarding construction issues**
- d. **Curb Incident on 10.10.25**



☐ **Charge Conference**

- a. **November 11, 6pm, with and at Skyland UMC**

Closing Prayer

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 11, 2025, 6:30pm

With Charge Conference occurring November, 11, recommend our next Board meeting be moved to November 18

Time Keeper	Eli
Opening prayer	Debra
Devotion	Harold
Closing Prayer	Peter