



ALAMO HEIGHTS
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Board of Stewards – Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 25,
2026 5:00PM in Room
W100

<u>Live</u>	<u>Out</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
X		Dianne Dorsett	Chair
X		Steve Waters	Chair Trustees
	X	Renee Kizziar	Chair Foundation
X		Pat Crump	Chair SPRC
X		Johnny Boyd	Chair Finance
X		Dan St. Romain	Lay Leader
Z		Vanessa Konkol	Secretary
X		Carrie Lobasso	Finance
X		Hill Ojeda	Finance
	X	Helen Bryan	Finance
	X	Thad C. Ziegler	Trustee
	X	Sally Flanagan	Trustee
X	X	Scott Boynton	Trustee
X		Caroline Wernli	SPRC
X		Randy Holmes	SPRC
	X	John Burnam	SPRC
	X	James L. Smith	At-Large
X		Camille Jones	At-Large
	X	John Townsend	At-Large
X		Rev. Jason Adams	Senior Pastor
	X	Rev. Linda Baumheckel	Congregational Care Pastor
	X	Rev. Chris Estus	Recovery Pastor
	X	Reed McNitzky	Modern Worship Pastor
	X	Darrell Smith	Discipleship & Communications Pastor
	X	Donna Strieb	Spiritual Formation & Taize Worship Pastor
X		Janet Weatherston	Missions & Outreach Pastor
Z		Valerie Slade	Executive Director
X		Lindsay Hannah	Finance Director

Welcome – Dianne Dorsett Visiting

Presenter – Valerie Dullnig

Prayer – Linda Baumheckel / Janet Weatherston (Prayer about roots)

Approval of May Meeting Minutes – Dianne Dorsett:

- MOTION 1st: Jason Adams
- MOTION 2nd: Pat Crump
- DECISION: Passes

SPRC Update - Pat Crump/Valerie Slade

1. Valerie Dullnig - Associate Youth Director
2. OPENING: Building Operations Director Update - started interview process, 5 folks in interview stage of process. Valerie completes initial screen, panel interview is next step.
 - Dr. Ashley Alteri - volunteered expertise for recruiting process for Facilities Director in recommending that the title be elevated.
 - Valerie Slade reviewed 90 applicants, narrowed down to 8 folks, then plans to proceed in process with top 3-4 folks. Very confident we will find the right candidate.

Finance Report – Johnny Boyd / Lindsay Hannah

May 2026 Results: May receipts were less than expected by \$8.4K. This was largely attributable to lower than planned tithes from regular contributors and annual pledges already paid in full. Household givers were 300 with a per capita giving of \$599. There were 12 new givers in plate cash for the month. May disbursements were less than anticipated by \$2.8K. This was driven by favorable variances in salaries and benefits and insurance, partially offset by more than expected expenses for facilities operations and programs. Facilities operations were over budget because of higher than planned costs for utilities. Programs were more than anticipated because of VBS expenses incurred. We paid our apportionment balance for the month. Overall, May's net results were above projections by \$5.6K.

- VBS & Summer Sounds summer programs are the "front porch welcome" to our church! These programs are a wonderful experience for the children and make me want to be a kid again!
- Handout Graph showing trends what % 2026 actual revenue is above actual 2025 revenue
- AHUMC Financial Prediction Contest - take a look 6 months into November YTD on the chart and make a prediction of where you think we will be at that time, above that place in 2025. Each BOS member makes a guess and they will be tracked and we will revisit this in Nov and provide a real prize. Entire staff will also participate.
- Lindsey Hannah - excess insurance claims is less than what we budgeted because our insurance has gone down now. The excess will be moved towards an emergency roof fund (which has a \$1m deductible for an emergency claim).

Grow Together Financials

- Tracking pledges
- Given pledges

- Not a significant change from prior update

ADDENDUM 1: May 2026 Board Financial Statement ADDENDUM 2: May 2026 Per Capita Giving

Trustees Report – Steve Waters

1. Building Committee Update - Building Committee is finalizing selection of its members. Valorie Jackson has joined the committee. Next priority initiative after Terrace Project is the implementation of Security Enhancement measures across the campus. Approach is all deliberancy / measure twice, cut once.

2. Chiller Report - Chiller 2 had a compressor failure over Memorial Day Weekend. Figured out how to borrow from Peter to pay Paul, and now Chiller 2 is fuller operational (savings of \$15k). Chiller 1 is set for a pump replacement in the next few weeks.

Grow Together Campaign Update - Valerie Slade

Grow Together Campaign Fall Timeline: Handout provided with the following important dates:

- Spotlight Gatherings: Children, Youth, Choir, 5 meetings in total
- August 23 - Groundbreaking Celebration: Atrium Terrace, in between services
- September 12 - Youth Ministry: Washing and Dog Treat Bake Sale
- September 20 - Children's Ministry: Piggy Bank collection
- October 4 - Ministry collections to be laid on the altar
- Window of Prayers Vigil - Linda Baumheckel & Janet Weatherston are hosting a very creative prayer vigil series where folks are invited to choose 30-minute time slots and pray over the campaign. Vigil to be held over 3 day's time.

Note: Special invitations forthcoming for the above events.

Funding - Our consultant set goal to raise 60% of funding through initial advance gift commitments. Total campaign goal is \$5.7m. As of this week, we have raised \$3.2m in pledges! This total puts us at 56% of our 60% goal! Some members have already attended GTC meetings and received pledge cards, though not all have turned pledge cards back in, yet.

- BOS members, please turn in your pledge cards.
- Collected: \$1,670M currently collected/received.
- Building committee is very conscious of what has been collected as pledges are spread out over a 3-year period and funds have not been received in total.
- May-July 2026: Pastor Jason and Pastor Reed are hosting follow-up coffee conversations with members who have attended GTC meetings, to build personal relationships and make sure all questions are being answered. This includes house calls, if requested
- August 2026: Spotlight Gatherings will be hosted to have GT presentations to various church areas (choir, youth, children's groups). Spotlight Gatherings will be tailored to show separate groups what will be happening in their areas.

- August 23: Terrace Dedication Ceremony to be held, in-between services. There will be a fun, refreshments, and a ground-breaking program.
- Sept 13: GTC Official Kickoff Sunday
 - Dogwash & Doggy Treat Bake Sale, hosted by the Youth Ministry
 - Piggybank Collection, hosted by Children's Ministry
- Oct.4: Commitment Sunday
- Nov.1: GTC Official Kickoff Celebration, hosted in church parking lot
 - "Plunge the Pastor" booth, hosted by Youth Ministries

Senior Pastor's Comments – Jason Adams

- Annual Conference in Corpus Christi was held this month, explained the 5* on the name tags, which means that our church is current on all categories.
- Highlight was meeting over Juneteenth and Jackie Freeman, along with her brother, Brian helped to lead powerful workshop and getting us to understand and appreciate the gifts we've received from African American leaders in our church. Another important thing to note is that Youth just got back from UMArmy, Summer Sounds is being hosted this week, NZ Trip to be blessed this Sunday at 8:30am service, and Rio Conference coming up in Camp Chrysalis
- Bloys Camp Meeting, 186th year, which is the oldest camp revival in Texas, is held in the Davis Mountains (San Saba & Lampasas area). Bloys has been held continuously since 1880 and I attended for 4 days and served as one of the pastors and had the opportunity to preach over the meeting week.
- Will be attending Bid Bend, in Alpine area, to the biggest camp revival, which averages 4,000 worshipping at each service daily! I'll be 1 pastor preaching there during that 4-day revival.
- Beginning tomorrow, I'll be out for 6-8 weeks. Starting with a planned outpatient surgery for me tomorrow, some vacation time for me after, where I will be spending time reading and writing to prepare to GTC upcoming preparations. Prayers over the family during my service. Also, my wife's Uncle passed away and she will be traveling to attend services there.
 - In August, Pastor Jason will attend the largest camp revival in Fort Davis, TX.
 - Southwest Believers' Convention (July 27 – Aug 1, 2026), in Ft. Worth, Texas

Chairman of the Board's Comments – Dianne Dorsett: Choir Mission Trip for NZ has adult choir members praying over photos daily of each participant traveling and we are asking to extend that prayer to you over this trip for the youth choir and their adult participants.

Closing Prayer – Pastor Jason

Next Meeting: (NO JULY MEETING) Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 5pm in W100