

Hamline Church United Methodist Church Council Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2026 - 7:00pm

Sharon Fields, Mariah Tollgaard, Brian Lulek, Gil Young, Alex Elder, Angela Wolf Scott, Becky Omdahl, Carol Anderson, Jay Alexander, Pete Theisen

7:02 Gil called the meeting to order and asked who is watching the World Cup.

7:10 Consent Agenda Minutes (att 02. May 2026 Meeting Minutes), Growth Grant: MN Council of Nonprofits Conference Registration (att 03. Growth Grant App – MCN Annual Conference), Growth Grant: Rolfe’s Crew – landscaping and grounds care (att 04. Growth Grant App – Rolfe’s Crew), Council Directed Growth Grant: Dining Hall Social Media (att 05. Growth Grant – Dining Hall Social Media), MN Historical and Cultural Heritage Grant 2026 Acceptance Letter (att 06. MN Historical Grant), Element Commercial Real Estate Listing Agreement (att 6.b Contract)

Gil asked for a motion to approve consent agenda. Carol made the motion. Pete second. The motion was unanimously passed.

7:10 Discussion Agenda Hamline Church Dining Hall Update, Mary Bloom & Alex Elder co-chairs. Alex was the only presenter. Mary was unavailable. Alex mentioned that we submitted two items (Pupusas and bars) and neither were accepted. And we were told we couldn’t serve the pupusas. We will be doing another shake up (mini donut flavor). We will have homemade pies. Ice cream is back so we can have a la mode. Affogato is also back. We are also in the Blue-Ribbon coupon book with a \$4 kid’s meal. We are looking into a laundry service. We are also investigating how to make a bigger social media presence and looking into new volunteer sources. Jay asked about training. Pete asked about pricing and staffing. Alex answered most things go up but we have tried to cut where possible.

Worship Attendance Update (att 07. Worship Attendance Update). Mariah discussed worship attendance. She showed the att 07 doc. She mentioned online is a big part but isn’t as easily quantified.

Trustees: Fire Alarm Recommendation (att 08. Fire Alarm Install Analysis) Sharon gave update on the fire alarm situation. There was discussion on the difference in pricing between USA Security and Wellington. Carol made a motion to accept the USA Security bid. Aaron seconded. The motion was unanimously passed.

Finance Update. Sharon said there are no major updates. We are looking at how to fill gaps and All In One Accounting is involved in those discussions.

8:17 SPRC (closed session) *New Conference Superintendent Rev. Woojae Im about 7/1/26 Council Member Transitions – August 2026*

8:30 Adjourn & Closing Prayer

Important Dates:

- *June 21-25 - Discovery Youth Camp*
- *July 7-13 – Dublin GYPC*

- *July 12-15 - Mini Tree House Camp*
- *July 23 – CCEC: Refresh and Renew*
- *July 26-Aug 1 - Youth Mission Trip*
- *Aug 27-Sept 7 - Dining Hall Open at State Fair*

Next Meeting –Tuesday, August 25, 7:00pm –Meeting in Person