

Castleton United Methodist Church
Charge Conference
April 17, 2018

District Superintendent (DS) Jim Bushfield called the Charge Conference to order at 6:35 PM, and opened it in prayer.

Jonathan Cruz Candidacy for Ministry

DS Bushfield advised the Leadership Team (LT) and the CUMC members present as to process of approving Jonathan Cruz as a candidate for the ministry; he then requested an introduction by Jonathan Cruz especially regarding his call to the ministry; DS Bushfield also wanted the members to consider the question of would we as congregation want him as pastor.

Jonathan Cruz provided introduction with his focus on the joy he feels when walking with people of God whether teaching or helping

Using secret ballots, 20 members voted with the result being unanimous approval of Jonathan as a candidate for the ministry

Endowment Funds - Policy Approval

Larry Burch - described process and explained that changes were needed to the standard INUMC forms

Reminded that the LT made the recommendation to accept the policies as written

Questions or Answers to Concerns

Amount of money in Endowment-- \$150,000 to \$200,000 when include all sources

The policies spell out how funds can be distributed and how they can be requested

Goal-build capital to support ministries beyond the annual budget

No objection to proceeding w/ vote on app

DS Bushfield highlighted portion of policies

Formal vote -- No nays, one abstention, and the rest were yeas

The Endowment Funds Policies were approved by the Charge Conference

Other Notes or Business

Margo Ward - reminded everyone about the Sex Trafficking Awareness event at CUMC

Closed in prayer by Jonathan Cruz at 7:25 P.M.