

THE UNITED METHODIST CENTER BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Purpose:

To provide office space for the South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church, and to operate, supervise and maintain such facilities, renting the space therein to offices, agencies and affiliates of the Conference.

Key moments from the previous year:

The Trustees have completed several projects during 2023. The parking lot was re-sealed and the retention pond cleaned. With the help of energy saving incentives available through Dominion Energy, programmable thermostats were installed throughout the building. Early in 2024, energy incentives were used to upgrade a portion of the first floor's lighting with LED bulbs.

Objectives for the coming year:

The Trustees are seeking more opportunities to use energy incentives to reduce the expense of cost saving improvements. We are currently researching window tinting incentives that will help reduce utility costs. We have plans to power wash the building's exterior.

We continue to monitor the efficacy of major building components such as the heating and air conditioning. We recognize the building is approaching an age where renovation and/or refurbishment will be needed. The Trustees are considering other locations that may be less expensive to maintain.

Action(s) required from the 2024 Annual Conference:

If you take away nothing from this report, know this:

The Trustees of the United Methodist Center appreciate the continued support of the churches through the apportionment system. The Trustees strive to be superb stewards of the funds for ensuring the facilities are safe, secure, and properly maintained. The building stands ready to support the various ministries of the Annual Conference.

Narrative:

Respectfully submitted:

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