



St. John Lutheran Church

Congregational Council Meeting Minutes

February 23, 2020

Council Members Present: Pastor Lewton, Pastor Natwick, President Jesse Kilwein, Jean Herauf, Jennifer Jung, Marry Anne Marsh, Vice President Seth Poland, Richard Benz, Mathew Nicklos, Jared Bookhardt, and Claire Schlabsz

Council Members Absent: Alissa Karsky, Darlene Pelton, Kent Anderson, and Kim Anderson

Meeting called to order.

Devotions

Consent Agenda – Items pulled out for discussion:

Pastors Reports – Discussion on the understanding of Non-Profit and Trust Fund. Jean Herauf motioned to approve Consent Agenda, Mathew Nicklos seconded. Motion carried.

Financial Report and Trust Fund Report and Budget was reviewed, Pastor Lisa identified budget is divided by 12 operating months and some months have special items due. There were no questions.

Unfinished Business

Study Narrative Lectionary. 1. Get items to read 2. Have more discussion

New Business

Discerning God's faithful future for the current parsonage.

- 1. Preschool research so to continue St John Ministry. Is that the best idea for Parsonage space? Claire Schlabsz will meet with Kelly and gather information. Claire will also contact city and fire for necessary safety approvals. Claire will have necessary information by March meeting.

Approval of Stewardship Director/Executive Director of Trust Fund

Discussion of Full Time position with benefits for Stewardship Director/Executive Director of the Trust Fund. Amy Graves held position. Nothing to Approve. Pastor Lisa will bring Job description next meeting.

Congregational Meeting to approve 5 Synod Assembly Voting Members to elect Bishop for June 5-6 in Bismarck.

- Possible qualifications perimeters discussed were: 1.) Under 30. 2.) One member from each Worship service. 3.) Single. 4.) Have children. 5.) Retired. 6.) Someone who has not attended before. Suggested meeting for vote is April 26, 2020. Pastors will seek out best candidates.

Move to approve was made by Richard Benz, Seth seconded.

Use of Easter Lily Money to ELCA World Hunger was approved.

Allocate 2019 accumulated reserves: No changes to Resolution a through c (on Council Retreat Agenda #8).

- Change made to d. to move \$4000.00 from remaining balance of \$63,057.31 for to letter e. for possible projects: electrical and water work for cost of Coffee Pot re-locating.
- Add letter e. 4000.00 to 1026 Building Fund

Mary Anne made motion to approve to add letter e. to allocate \$4000.00 for cost of possible projects. Jean seconded. Motion approved.

Omit the following policies that are now included in the Personnel Handbook

Claire made motion, Richard seconded. Approved.

Approval of Social Media Policy

Seth made motion, Mathew seconded. Approved.

Reminder of Next Meeting: **March 17, 2020 at 7:00pm.** Secretary Julie Kuntz will be out of town.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Kuntz, Secretary