

07/16/18 Congregation Council Meeting Minutes

Present: Pastor Glen Thomas, Luke Compton, Randy Cramer, Ryan Keebler, Teri Lisko, Margie Magnuson, Andrew Rouillard, David Sherwin, Kelli Stott

Meeting called to order at 7pm by President Andrew Rouillard. Brief devotion presented by Luke Compton.

June Minutes: Correction made to June meeting minutes—John Hollenbeck was present. With this correction motion to approve moved by Ryan, and Dave seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Pastor's report—written report. Pastor Glen led discussion of “Searching for Sunday” reading assignment. Reminded council of Council Progressive Dinner, to be held in conjunction with Augustana, Bethel, Grace, and St. Luke's. Will need council RSVP from council members.

Ministry Reports

- Worship and Music—no report
- Stewardship—no report
- Faith Formation—no report
- Hospitality—written report. Church Picnic will be on 8/26. Discussed that John and Jim will be grilling brats/hamburgers and that congregation will bring side dishes to share.
- Community Service—written report. God's work Our Hands will be held on Sunday, September 9, 2018. Curt Losee is lining up potential projects. Everyone who is participating and has not already completed a background check will need to do so starting in early August. Christmas in July—Dave created 3 ornaments per teacher from a wish list that Belle Ryan teachers submitted, and used these ornaments to decorate a tree. Items must be returned by 8.12—unwrapped. Larger list will be circulated via the ACTS. Luther College Men's cross country team requested the use of our facilities on Sunday August 12th from 8:30pm thru Monday, 7:00am. This was approved.
- Staff Support—no report
- Property—no report
- Financial Secretary's Report—written report. Beginning balance: \$5,499.52. Receipts: \$17,460.51. Disbursements: \$19,389.02. End Balance: \$3,574.41. Motion to approve made by Margie, seconded by Dave. Motion was carried.
- Treasurer's report—written report. Motion to approve made by Randy, seconded by Terri. Motion was carried.

Old Business

- Sunday School Discussion with other churches—committee met with other area churches (Bethel, Augustana, First, Grace, St. Luke's) to discuss combined programming for 1st thru 6th graders. Would be 1x/month, approximately 90 minutes and would include a meal. Church that is hosting Confirmation that month will be hosting church for this programming. Expecting

around 20-30 students would attend. Having 1 more meeting to finalize plans with projected launch in September.

- Final payment for Attorney Biggs and Engineers—after council voted electronically to pay engineer from festival offerings, final payment to engineer of \$4,492.25 was made. Attorney will be refunding St. Matthew \$312.59 from overpayment.
- Retaining Wall on lower parking lot (Randy)—have received 1 bid so far. Will get 2 more bids to include—removal and replace wall and 2 sets of steps. Randy inquired about asking the Luther College cross country team to demolish the existing wall and remove the stones, but council decided that they would not be here long enough to complete this project.

New Business

- Staffing Review Update—Andrew reported that team met to evaluate current staffing needs. Will have one more meeting and will finalize recommendations for a report to Council at the August meeting.
- Marjorie Vaculik's gift to Saint Matthew—pastor discussed utilizing this memorial gift for sanctuary improvements. (pew refinishing and flooring replacement) Motion to approve made by Dave, seconded by Ryan. Motion was carried.

Closing Prayer—Pastor Glen led council in Lord's Prayer

Adjournment—meeting adjourned at 8:05pm