



St. Luke's Lutheran Church & School

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Church Council Minutes

October 21, 2010

President Rick Reehl called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M. Pastor Goelzer opened with a prayer and devotion on Lesson Three, God's Grace Makes Christ's Church An Agent For Change.

MSP: To accept the minutes as read for the September Church Council Meeting Minutes.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor Goelzer reported on his Ministry Activity from September 1 - 30, 2010.

Transfers in (0)

Transfers out (0)

Baptisms (0)

Profession of Faith (0)

St. Luke's Church Family – 401 comm., 464 souls.

Christian Growth Committee: No Report.

Outreach Committee: Bruce Rhode reported that everything on Mission Festival Sunday went well and that they had approximately 130 people attend. Bruce wanted to thank everyone that helped, especially the Ladies Aid, school students & all that brought a dish to pass.

Other items discussed included Friendship Evangelism & the 'Free Thanksgiving Dinner-Delivered' plans. Additional information to follow in upcoming worship bulletins.

Lutheran School Committee: Dan Flood reported that the school checkbook balance is \$2,201.67. Outstanding book fees of \$1,954.00; 79% have been received.

Brian Miller reported that the WELS State Teacher's Conference is October 28 & 29; there will be no school on those days.

Also, the next PACK meeting will be November 1st @ 6:00 p.m.; guest speaker WLA Instructor, Pastor Boggs.

Shepherding Committee: No report.

Properties Committee: Rick Reehl reported for Paul Rhode the work on the parsonage by Central Restoration, LLC is now complete; total cost \$7,143.00.

Secretary Committee: Dean Geisthardt reported that a new 5 year Purchase & Security Agreement with NEP Co., Inc. for a new copier was completed. The monthly cost is \$270.43; a saving over the previous agreement.

Dean also reported that he will be picking up new cartridges for the offices color copier.

The next secretary meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 8th at 6:00 p.m.

WLA: No report.

Ladies Aid: Pastor Goelzer reported that the Ladies Aid is looking for new ways to serve the congregation.

Finance Committee: Tim Panzer reported on October 21, 2010 total income is \$254,481.44.

Treasurer's Report: Dave Tetzlaff

Total General Fund deposits for the year are \$254,481.44 with expenditures of \$247,530.00. The checkbook balance is \$2,870.20.

The mortgage balance with the Baehler Trust is \$41,997.13. Our operating loan balance is \$46,505.42; interest only paid the month of October.

General Fund balance for the year is a negative balance of \$11,899.53.

MSP: To approve both financial reports.

Old Business:

MSP: to give Chuck Schaumburg a gift certificate for his work on the parsonage.

Rick Reehl has concerns that whatever council members need to miss a meeting find replacements from their respective committees to fill in for them.

New Business:

MSP: for changes on the Article IV: Ministry Committees of the Church Council be updated to include: **1.5 Each committee may not spend more than 10% over their budget without the approval of either the church council or the voter's.**

...and under Section 6: Finance Committee, 6.2 amended to replace: 'The money shall be kept in a separate account apart from the regular accounts of the congregation' and made to read: **The money shall be tracked as a separate line item by the Treasurer and be kept in the Church's Primary Checking Account.**

...and also to eliminate in this same section: **'The financial secretary shall report the balance of the account to the congregation'**.

MSP: also for changes noted below to Article VII: Election of Church Officers, Section 1: The nominating committee shall consist of those members of the church council whose term of office expires at the end of the calendar year. The pastor **and council president are** ~~is an~~ ex officio members of this committee. Section 2: This committee shall **put a notice in the bulletin the first two Sundays in August that candidates are being sought for church council and any one wishing to serve should contact the Church President. This Notice should also list whose terms will be expiring, and that a listing of the responsibilities of each church council positions are available. At the August Council Meeting the nominating committee will** select from the voting membership a slate of candidates to replace them in keeping with the scriptural requirements stated in Article VIII, Section 1 of the constitution. The slate of candidates shall be published ~~in the weekly church bulletin on the first two Sundays of September. Thereafter, consent of each nominee is necessary for candidacy.~~ **at least twice in the weekly church bulletin, with the second publishing being at least three weeks before the voter's meeting, along with the notice that a listing of the responsibilities of each church council positions are available. The**

Council President must also get the consent of each nominee for council before the election is held. Section 3: At the October meeting the voters' assembly shall hear the recommendations of the nominating committee. Additions may be made from the floor before the final slate of candidates is adopted. A majority of votes cast shall secure election

MSP: under the St. Luke's Lutheran Church Called Worker' Benefits policy that the Sick/Family/Funeral Leave section be amended to read: Each called worker may received up to six days leave with pay per **calendar** year.

MSP: to extend Mrs. Tetzlaff sick leave to a total of 20 days. This decision will be revisited at the November Council Meeting.

Pastor Goelzer reported that there is a Christian Men's Conference coming up February 26, 2011 called the 'Men of His Word'.

MSP: for the rental of our gym to the Oakfield Rec. Dept.

A special reminder of the continuation to the October Voter's meeting for the nomination & election of Church Council Officer's which will be held after late service on Sunday, November 14th.

Communion Helpers

October 31st – 8:00 a.m.: Rick Reehl
10:15 a.m.: DanFlood

November 14th – 8:00 a.m.: Dave Tetzlaff
10:15 a.m.: Dean Geisthardt

Next Meeting: Thursday, Nov. 18th @ 7:00 p.m.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.
MSP: To adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean Geisthardt
Church Secretary

Present: Rick Reehl, Bruce Rhode, Tim Panzer, Dave Tetzlaff, Brian Miller, Dan Flood, Pastor Goelzer and Dean Geisthardt

Absent: Tom Laich, Dale Hinze and Paul Rhode.

Copies of all reports are available from the church council secretary and from St. Luke's report website. reports.stlukesoakfield.com