



# St. Luke's Lutheran Church & School

Oakfield, WI

## Voter's Meeting

### Minutes

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President John Sankey called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m. Pastor Goelzer opened with prayer and discussed his role in St. Luke's church ministries and also the congregation being involved in the ministry. 25 voting members were present.

#### Secretary's Report

MSP: To dispense with the reading of the minutes and to accept them as written.

#### Pastor's Report

Pastor presented a membership activity summary for the quarter. The total number of souls has grown from 477 to 478. 74% of our members have attended service in the last three months, compared to 71.43% last quarter and members taking communion in the last three months is at 71%.

#### Membership – Ratification

MSP: to accept Heather Nelson by confirmation and Sid Martin by profession of faith as communicant members.

MSP: to ratify the transfer of Kurt Siverly to St. Paul's – NFDL and Emily Whalen to Living Savior – Dubuque, IA

MSP: to ratify the transfer in of Bobbie Immel from St. John's- Lomira.

Christian Growth Committee: Kevin Gierach reported that one of the items the committee is working on is the VBS for 2012. There was also a suggestion to have a sign-up sheet placed in the narthex for teens to sign-up for the National Teen Rally in Tennessee.

Outreach Committee & WELS United: Gary Seyfert reported that our Spring Blast was again a successful event for St. Luke's this year, as was the

Easter breakfast. He wanted to thank all who were involved in donating food and/or time; all were much appreciated and instrumental in the events success.

Gary also noted that the upcoming project the committee will be working on is pursuing Precept, which is an informational tool which would lead us to the unchurched in our area.

Jerry Huth reported that WELS United continues to meet on a regular basis. Jerry would encourage St. Luke's to take advantage of this opportunity in having some joint ministerial endeavors with our neighboring congregations. Check out WELS United website: [www.welsunited.net](http://www.welsunited.net).

Lutheran School Committee: Dennis Loduha reported on the school committee's checkbook balance (\$4,724.06). The current balance will allow the school to continue updating their curriculum. He also gave a brief update on the Cradle Roll, School Outreach, and PACK committees, and a list of school announcements.

One of the announcements to make note of is that St. Luke's Lutheran School is excited to be able to offer this next school year a 4-year-old Kindergarten class; more information will be forthcoming.

Shepherding Committee: John Roehl reported that the committee has been busy delivering offering envelopes and encouraging members to attend worship services and communion.

A meeting was also held with the deacons to organize worship service routines such as assisting with materials in the narthex, opening doors, and also going over the electronics used during services.

**Properties Committee:** No report – Due to Paul Rhode’s request for a leave of absence due to his job, the council is looking for a temporary replacement to finish out the 2012 term.

**WLA Representative:** Jim Bilitz reported that WLA currently has two calls out but neither individual has as of yet responded

**Finance Committee:** Justin Rhode reported the following figures for the first quarter of 2012 total general fund income as \$67,950.15; other general funds \$8,591.90, other funds \$4,728.46, total fund income was \$81,270.51.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Dave Tetzlaff reported total general fund deposits for the year are \$76,542.05 with expenditures of \$83,349.08. General Fund balance for the year is a negative balance of - \$6,807.03. The checkbook balance is \$4,035.80.

The mortgage balance with the Baehler Trust is \$23,455.61. Our operating loan balance is \$54,460.65\*.

General Fund Deficit - reflects the overall deficit of -\$76,297.82\*. (\*The General Fund Deficit went down \$1,145.00 due to a payment received from the Operating Debt Retirement Fund which went directly to the principal of the operating loan.)

Outstanding Membership Loan balance is \$5,000.00.

MSP: To approve both financial reports.

**Unfinished Business** John Sankey reported that the audit of the 2011 year books was completed by Rick Reehl and John Panzer and were found to be in good order. President Sankey thanked them both on behalf of the church and the voters.

**New Business**

WLA has been working on updating their constitution and bylaws. The Plenary Board has already passed the constitution and the bylaws with a two thirds majority vote. Now the new constitution was sent out to all of the association churches and they were to be brought to their meetings to be ratified. WLA needs two thirds of the association churches to pass the new constitution in order for it to be put into place.

MSP: that St. Luke’s ratified the new WLA constitution.

MSP: to transfer the checking account of the disbanded Ladies Aid committee to the new Jars of Clay Ministries (this is for verification for the Bank of Oakfield).

The meeting closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

MSP: to adjourn at 10:24 a.m. on 04/15/12.

Respectfully submitted,

Glen Lutze  
Acting Secretary

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