



Council Meeting Minutes: November 14, 2023

Core Values: Community, Faith, Family, Spirituality, Love

Vision: Trinity Lutheran Church is:

A welcoming community

A faith-filled community

A community that values spirituality

A community of love and hospitality

A FAMILY

Mission: Encourage. Inspire. Serve.

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by President Brent Petersen.

Members Present: Amanda McKnelly, Margaret Larsen, Richard Holland, Ben Burrack, Brooke Boots, Laura Stewart, Dave Heibult, Taylor Johanneson

Staff Present: Pastor Tom, Deacon Christie Meier

Members Absent: Maria Campbell, Jeremy Brech

Check in: What is your favorite Thanksgiving memory or what is your tradition? Next month pick your top two favorite memories or events from 2023.

Devotions: Margaret Larsen

Secretary's Report: A motion to approve the Septembers minutes was made by Margaret Larsen and seconded by Laura Stewart. Motion Passed

Treasurer's Report: Balances as of, October 31, 2023:

General Fund: \$37,345

Improvement Fund: \$55,189

Rental House: \$4,103

Central Bank Mortgage: \$22,087

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report was made by Dave Heibult, seconded by Richard Holland. Motion passed.

Council Visibility: Semi annual meeting on October 22nd had great attendance by council.

Old Business:

1. Nominations for Council
 - a. Pastor Tom has some names he will send to the committee that is working on filling the last spot.
2. Set date for Budget Planning
 - a. Pastor Tom, Margaret Larsen and Brent Petersen will get together to go over the budgets. All budgets were to be submitted by November 1st.
3. Review Gift Policy
 - a. Wayne Larsen and Amy Klineschmidt came to discuss the new Gift Policy and the Mission Endowment Fund Bylaws. Council will review the documents and get any questions they have to Brent Petersen by November 28th. Brent will then get the questions to Wayne and Amy and hope that we can come up with a final plan by or at the December Council meeting. If council wants to put forward any recommendations for changes in the bylaws, they need to be presented at the annual meeting in January and a 30 day notice needs to be made.

New Business:

1. Performance Reviews
 - a. Please get these filled out and back to Brent Petersen by December 3rd.

Ministry Staff Reports:

1. Pastor Tom-Report Attached
2. Deacon Christie-Report Attached

Board Reports:

1. Board of Property-Dave
 - a. The new exchanger was put up.
 - b. Several miscellaneous repairs have been done.
 - c. Making a list of repairs. The next item to work on is putting fans up in the sanctuary to help with pushing the heat down.
 - d. Looking for an option to have a dialer call out if there was a fire since our current system does not have that.
2. Board of Education-Brooke
 - a. Christmas program costumes were purchased with a Thrivent card.
3. Board of Outreach-Richard
 - a. Received a Thrivent card for \$250 for winter coats and \$250 to help with postage for the college snack packs.
 - b. Winter coat drive is going well.
 - c. New member orientation will more than likely be in February.
4. Board of Stewardship-Ben
 - a. Venmo is up and running
 - b. January 14th is the plan to do the Financial Peace University from 6:30-8:30pm.
5. Board of Worship & Music-Jeremy/Christie
 - a. Will be meeting soon to set up for Christmas
6. Board of Youth & Family-Laura
 - a. 19 students sold wreaths this year
 - b. February will be the Chili Bingo
 - c. Youth Report-Taylor
 - i. Date Night Daycare is schedule and people are signing up

Closing Discussions: NA

Next Month Devotions: Ben Burrak

Next Month Executive Committee Meeting: December 5th 7pm via zoom

Next Month Council Meeting: December 12th at 7pm.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment: President Brent Petersen closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by: Amanda McKnelly