

St. John Lutheran Church Council Meeting – October 5, 2009

Present: Kevin Kraabel, Karen Meyer, Mary Troseth, Jacob Hassing, Tim Grams, Dawn Bourdeaux, Paul Larson, Justin Anderson, Kevin Johnson, & Pastor Tom Koelln

Absent: Troy Anderson

- Devotions: Tim Grams
- Opening prayer: Tim Grams

Call to order by President Kevin Johnson

REVIEW LAST MONTHS MINUTES: Motion by Paul Larson to accept last month's minutes, 2nd by Mary Troseth. Vote 9 yes, 0 no. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Troy absent – around \$15,000 in checking.

PASTOR'S REPORT (Pastor Tom): Pastoral acts, 5 baptisms, 4 hospital visits, and 4 shut in visits,. Forty days of purpose starts Sept. 27th. Seven new members received on Sept. 27th.

Ministry fair was October 25th. This is organized by the Stewardship Committee. Pastor says we should have a table set up for possible Council members. Sunday preaching will be set around 40 days of purpose.

Bridge Builder's: There is an action planning team organized.

Book Fair at St John on November 15th through Reading Frenzy Bookshop.

We will begin bible studies on the Gospel's on January 2010.

Reclaiming the "L" Word Values. Jesus is Lord. Everyone is welcome. Love changes people. Everybody has something to offer. The world needs what we have.

A proposal by Pastor Tom in order to make Boards more interactive with an increase in communication, I propose that the Boards meet every other month, on the same night as Church Council meets. Boards would meet and then report to Council 1 of 3 things. Information to Council a discussion concerning a Board matter or needed Council action.

Time 6 pm to 7 pm Boards, 7 to 9 pm Council. Motion made to accept proposal by Tim Grams, 2nd by Karen Meyer. Vote motion passed, 10 yes, 0 no.

EXECUTIVE REPORT: Ministry Fair October 25th.

AUDIT COMMITTEE: Met on September 5th. There are 7 people helping with the audit. Dawn is working with Geri. They are working on the transfer from QuickBooks to Church Windows. The audits are done except for the church.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: No report.

BUILDING/GROUNDS: Discussion about moving the Cross. Kevin Kraabel made a motion that Building and Grounds will move the Cross to propose location when all things are in place for it to be moved. 2nd by Mary Troseth. Vote 8 yes, 2 no. Motion passed.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Sunday school; 85 registered, and more in the office. In Weaving Wednesday, 7-12 kids. There are 40 kids in Confirmation. Education Committee would like a Youth organizer.

ENDOWMENT FUND: Endowment fund is up 3%. Balance \$31,069.87.

EVANGELISM: There is a lot of discussion about new member integration, and change the dinner to the Sunday that they are received. They are also getting ready for the Ministry Fair.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Working on getting the contract straightened out with Geri. Also, they are getting things together for year-end.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: No report.

STEWARDSHIP: Working hard on Ministry Fair.

WORSHIP & MUSIC: Noisy Sunday is November 1st. Thank offering service is Nov. 22nd.

CORNERSTONE PRESCHOOL: October 18th Breakfast. Things are going well.

THRIVENT: No report.

YOUTH: Met last week. Looking to do Bonfire Oct. 23rd. Talked about a part-time Youth director.

WELCA: October 10th is the bazaar. Craft people are set up to come. WELCA is allowing a \$1500 donation to Sunday school

OLD BUSINESS:

- Eddie Foundation check, there is one check and Cornerstone has it.
- Repaying the savings account.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Bill Munz asked if they could do a Youth Fair for Cub Scouts. Paul Larson made a motion to allow Bill Munz to organize one Youth Fair for a non-profit organization such as Boy Scouts. 2^{nds} by Jacob Hassing. Vote 10 yes, 0 no. Motion passed.

- Bridge Builders was discussed about if it should be on the website, and what information should be shared.

Motion made by Kevin to adjourn, 2nd by Jacob. Vote 10 yes, 0 no. Motion passed.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer by Pastor Tom Koelln.

Respectfully submitted by Timothy Grams, Council Secretary