

Church Council Minutes, October 11, 2016

Members Present: Pastor Beth, Jeff Gilbertson, Donita Korpela, Zach Langhorst, Dave Eller, Brent Speldrich, Jody Eller

Opening Prayer led by Pr. Beth Pottratz

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve by Zach, Second by Jeff. Agenda carries

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from September 13th Meeting were presented. Motion to approve by Dave, Second by Brent. Motion carried

Treasurers Report: Financial report presented by Jody Eller. Written financial report to be accepted as presented. Motion by Zach, Second by Jeff, Motion carried.

Pastor's Report:

- a) There are two baptisms scheduled for this month
- b) 16 students in confirmation with 4 students eligible to be confirmed May 21st, 2017
- c) Pr. Beth attended the Kettle River WELCA conference
- d) Visits have been going well
- e) Utilizing electronic means of distribution for the newsletter, announcements and prayer chain.
- f) Events are being advertised through Facebook as people share these events
- g) Restroom signage will be changed for universal use due to only having one handicap and one baby changing station in the church

Discipleship Report:

- a) Property update: The second hot water heater has been installed in the Hall. There has been another leak identified in the Hoots room of the Hall.

Old Business:

- a) Digital storage of books: Pr. Beth has been in contact with the Region 3 representative. They will take our current books and create a digital archive of them free of charge. We would get books back and a copy of CDs. A fireproof safe is still needed for protecting these documents. Motion to purchase a one hour fire proof safe by Brent, 2nd by Donita, Motion Carried. Brent will purchase the safe.
- b) Joey Krog fundraising request: December 3rd 3:00pm til 7:00pm. Jean and Caleb are assisting with planning. Many donations have been collected for the silent auction. Thrivent grant applied for. Jean would still like to see more involvement for planning. Hoots will do music for the event.
- c) Church Signage: Jeff will look into the cost/options for the future. For now, ensure that our events are getting posted on our current sign.
- d) Meatball Supper update: Planning is going well. Discussion on table/chairs for overflow room held. Offer to assist in bringing table/chairs from the church over to the hall for this purpose if needed.

New Business:

- a) Elevator: The elevator of the church was worked on last Sunday. They have it working once again.

Strategic & Future Planning:

- a) Plan to revisit the strategic plan for an update. There will be a committee established for planning.
- b) Future need will be to replace the windows in the Fellowship room and in the Pastor's office.

Adjourn: at 8:25pm Motion to adjourn by Jeff, Second by Dave, Motion Carried.

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 8th at 6:30pm.