

Faith Lutheran Church

Council Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2015

Council Members							
President Brian Lauer (15)	X	Vice-President Wade Eastman (15)	X	Treasurer Niki Pokornowski (15)	X	Secretary Linda McGraw(15)	X
Ken Holler (16)	X	Jan Kreie (15)	X	Deb Marcotte (15)	X	Michelle Malchow (16)	
Steve Killian (15)	X	Dan Brinkman (16)		Jon Kamrath (16)	X	Christine Ruppert (16)	X
Jeff Amundson (15)	X	Jon Wehler (16)	X				
Staff							
Pastor Scott	X	Pastor Paul	X	Diane Pedersen	X	Mike Lauer	X
Pastor Dave	X	Marsha Schmit	X	Wendy Toops	X		
Pastor Paulus		Wendy Mayland	X	Gladys Bonnema			

Opening

- President Brian Lauer called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.
- Niki Pokornowski opened with devotions.

Secretary's Report:

- **ACTION - Motion/Second/Passed** to approve the March meeting minutes with the correction that President Brian Lauer adjourned the meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

- Made a \$300,000 mortgage payment - additional adjustments to the mortgage have been tentatively approved by Thrivent. First quarter giving was ahead of last year.
- **ACTION - Motion/Second/Passed** to approved the March Treasurer's report.

Pastor / Staff Reports:

- Written reports submitted with the agenda.
- **ACTION - Motion/Second/Passed** to approve the March Staff Reports.

Ministry Teams:

- **Discipleship (Jon and Steve)**
 - Finalized directional maps of the church's facilities - maps also to be included in pew pads
 - Discussed new women's Saturday morning rolls and coffee event - possible men's group as well
 - Community Service day will be set aside in lieu of visits to shut-ins
 - Discussed the 500th anniversary of the 95 Theses and how it relates to today's culture
- **Spiritual Formation (Jon and Christine)**
 - Faith Family Fun Night event at Hutch Bowl - April 19 - 45 people attended
 - Faith Family Fun Event - Red Carpet Tour - May 17 - Sunday School children to tour the church
 - Gift cards from Below Zero will be given as Sunday School Teacher appreciation gifts
 - Volunteers needed for Vacation Bible School
 - Drive-in Diner - June 17, 2015
 - **5-Year Goal** - Increase Sunday School attendance and get more parents involved
- **Management (Executive Committee)**
 - Discussed financials, mortgage pay down, reamortization and payment reschedule
 - Discussed kitchen update to install a 50-amp outlet
 - Discussed fire alarm system inspection proposal
 - New lawn equipment has been delivered
 - **5-Year Goal** - Have the mortgage paid off by 2020 - Faith's 150th anniversary
- **Worship (Dan and Jeff)**
 - Reviewed Easter services and discussed 2016 suggestions

- Hymn Sing - April 29, 2015
- Discussed Summer worship schedule
- **5-Year Goals** - Involve more families, update music equipment, possible winter-season Saturday evening service, and explore options to expand capacity for Foundation Service
- **Church in the World (Jan and Ken)**
 - Discussed two \$1,000 young adult mission donations to Katie Weikle (one in 2015 and one in 2016)
 - Discussed a \$500 mission donation to Stephen Freund and his wife
 - **5-Year Goal** - sources for funding more young adult missions
- **Congregational Life (Deb and Michelle)**
 - \$120 profit from Lenten Picnic Supper - donated to youth mission trip
 - May 3, 2015 Mingle Box - table discussions to be led by confirmation students
 - Community Meal May 3, 2015

Old Business

1. Personnel Committee - Will meet April 23 to review and update employee handbook and review applications for the Director of Children and Family Ministry position
2. Summer Outdoor Worship - Volunteer Planning - discussed trailer details
3. Faith Life Camp Planning - August 14 & 15 - putting a team together to work on weekend details
4. Website Update - Wendy Mayland and Pastor Dave have viewed the updated Website - soon ready to go online
5. Augustana District Gathering - April 25 at Christ the King - all welcome - Pastor Paul handed out a brochure for the Ethiopian Mission Partnership put together for the Augustana District by Lynn Card
6. Lawn mower and other equipment purchased - delivered
7. Other
 - a. President Lauer called for a vote to accept the resignation of Wendy Toops as the Director of Children and Family Ministry - passed.

New Business

1. Council/Ministry Team Retreat Report - Retreat discussion recapped - Ministry Teams encouraged to work on their team's 5-Year Goals to be discussed further
2. Other - Marsha encouraged all to attend Faith Life Camp

Communion Helper Schedule:

May 3: 8:00 a.m. Jan Kreie & Jeff Amundson
 10:10 a.m. Wade Eastman & Niki Pokornowski

May 10 8:00 a.m. Linda McGraw & Steve Kilian
 (Mother's Day) 10:10 a.m. Jon Kamrath & Christine Ruppert

Correspondence - None

Closing Prayer - Pastor Scott

Adjournment - President Brian Lauer adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Next Regular Council meeting: Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 6:00pm

Devotions for next month: Jan Kreie

Respectfully submitted,
 Linda McGraw, Secretary