Faith Lutheran Church

Council Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2015

Council Members							
President Brian Lauer (15)		**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)		Michelle Malchow (16)	X
Steve Killian (15)	X	Dan Brinkman (16)	X	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		
Pastor Dave	X	Marsha Schmit	X	Gladys Bonnema	X		
Pastor Paulus	X	Wendy Mayland	X	Mike Lauer	X		

Opening

- Vice President Wade Eastman called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.
- Jan Kreie opened with devotions.

Secretary's Report:

- **ACTION - Motion/Second/Passed** to approve the April meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

- **ACTION - Motion/Second/Passed** to have Diane renew the line of credit and approved signers at Citizens Bank.
- April contributions down - Pastor Paulus will establish a task force to look into a biblical approach to giving and financial stewardship
- **ACTION - Motion/Second/Passed** to approved the April Treasurer's report.

Pastor / Staff Reports:

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

Ministry Teams:

- **Congregational Life (Deb and Michelle)**
  - Establishing a treat schedule for outdoor worship
  - Making new member contacts
  - Ice cream for July
- **Discipleship (Jon and Steve)**
  - Steve showed directory diagram - small version will be in pew pads
  - Team will do treats in the park May 23, 2015
  - First gathering of Mugs and Muffins for women - May 30, 2015
  - Working on a Digging Deeper survey for the congregation
- **Management (Executive Committee)**
  - Discussed financials
  - Still working on the emergency lighting and sprinkler system inspection
  - Memorial money given for outdoor patio with a picnic table and basketball hoop - being constructed
  - Pastor Scott will be on sabbatical July 20 - August 31, 2015
- **Spiritual Formation (Jon and Christine)**
  - Not doing Faith Family Fun Night in August
  - Volunteers needed for Vacation Bible School
  - Confirmation and Sunday School coming to an end
  - Team will make bars for June 16 Drive-In Diner

- **Worship (Dan and Jeff)**
  - Discussed outdoor worship details - need volunteers - schedule will be in church office to sign up
  - Continue 5-Year Plan discussion
- **Church in the World (Jan and Ken)**
  - Discussed a paper/cardboard recycling campaign - Waste Management to provide and empty containers - will be paid after three months
    ACTION - Motion/Second/Passed to proceed with the paper/cardboard recycling effort with Waste Management - proceeds to be disbursed by Church in the World Team.
  - Nepal - Requested a prayer during Sunday's service and we were asked to remember them by making a donation - organizations aiding in disaster relief can be found on Facebook

Old Business

1. Personnel Committee -
   a. Handbook -The employee handbook has been reviewed with a few changes being made
   b. Interviews - Director of Children and Family Ministry - one interview complete with the second schedule for May 21 - third candidate withdrew
   c. Interim Help for June and July - Paul Scheidler to assist as needed with children's summer programs
2. Website Update - Pastor Dave, Wendy and Gladys continue to work on the old-to-new website update - ready to go live June 1, 2015
3. Faith Life Camp Update - registration is slow - working on details
4. Other - none

New Business

1. New logo with new website – cards and brochures being created to hand out to friends and neighbors
2. Augustana District Internship site possibility -
   ACTION - Motion/Second/Passed to proceed with a 1-year seminarian internship, if the opportunity presents itself, with funding and salary to be discussed for 2015 and the inclusion of a line item addition for the 2016 budget.
3. Endowment Committee Report and Recommendations - balance $500,000+ - never touch principal - earnings used for missions or building fund - 17 recipients this year
4. ILT House of Studies - exploring Ephesians - May 31 - June 4 - more information in the bulletin
5. Other - Mugs and Muffins (women's group) May 31 - possible men's group being formed

Communion Helper Schedule:

June 7	8:00 a.m. - Steve Kilian and Dan Brinkman 10:10 a.m. - Outdoors – No Council Help Needed
June 14	8:00 a.m. - Linda McGraw and Jeff Amundson 10:10 a.m. - Outdoors – No Council Help Needed

Correspondence - None

Closing Prayer - Pastor Dave

Adjournment - **ACTION - Motion/Second/Passed** to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

Next Regular Council meeting: Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Devotions for next month: Brian Lauer

Respectfully submitted,
Linda McGraw, Secretary