

Faith Lutheran Church – Council Minutes Tuesday, April 16, 2019

Council Members and Staff

President Amanda Schueler (19)	X	Vice Pres. Bob Kreie (20)	X	Treasurer Kathy Silvernale (19)	X	Secretary Connie Stromseth (19)	X
Penny Stuber (20)	X	Cheryl Buboltz (19)	X	Monica Wehler (19)	X	Dan Moe (20)	X
John Olsen (19)	X	Maria Weikle (20)	X	Shelly Kirchoff (19)	X	Niki Pokornowski (20)	X
Gail Telecky (19)	X	Andrew Weckwerth (20)	X				
Pastor Scott	X	Pastor Paul	X	Gladys Nissen	X	Sara Wegner-Interim Financial Coordinator	X
Pastor Dave	X	Marsha Schmit	X	Will Holt	X		
Pastor Paulus	X	Wendy Magruder	X	Laura Weikle	X		

Call to order by President Amanda.

Devotion by Gail Telecky: Deuteronomy 29:29

Secretary's Report – ACTION – M/S/P to approve the minutes from March 2019 meeting.

Treasurer's Report – ACTION – M/S/P to approve the financial reports.

Pastor/Staff Reports – Pastor Scott was asked to serve as President of New Hope Mission Society, The position was previously held by Dorothy Desens for 15 years.
Staff completed AED training.

Ministry Team Reports:

- ◆ Management (Exec Comm) – Reviewed Financials.
Discussed the 2 overgrown hedges to be removed at St. Mortons Cemetery.
Faith Lutheran received a certified letter from MNDOT. The letter received concerns the rebuilding of Main Street/Hwy 15 in 2020. The letter stated that this may affect some of our property. No other information was disclosed in the letter.
The lawn mower will be upgraded through L&P Supply as is done yearly.
Augustana District Annual Convention will be held in Alexandria on May 11, 2019.
- ◆ Worship (Shelly and Maria) – Disciples ready for their part in Maundy Thursday Service.
Choir robes were sent out for dry cleaning. Summer worship volunteers needed. We will be using the trailer from Hjerpe family/business.
The community meal – tacos - will be on 5/5/19.
Gladys and Will were contacted by the Hutchinson 3BC Brewery to discuss a possible music and a message time given at the Brewery by area churches. It would be approximately 4 x a year leading music and a possible message. Christ The King has also been involved in the

discussions.

- ◆ Children, Youth and Family (Dan and Monica) – Building flower boxes in April was a good turn out. The planting flowers event will be 5/5/19 @ 2:00. There will also be cookie baking and delivery.
May 19, 2019 will be the final Sunday School Day. Below Zero for kids and planning teacher gifts are on the agenda for the team.
- ◆ Church in the World (Penny and John) – The blessing box is up and ready for service in May. The cardboard recycling generated \$857.94 to be put in a fund for the young adult Mission Trip to Costa Rica. ACTION – M/S/P
- ◆ Congregational Life (Niki and Gail) – The Lenten Picnic was a success and well attended. The free will offering generated \$340.00. The funds will be designated as follows: \$125.00 to Meghan's Place and \$215.00 to Camp Scholarships.
New Member lunch will be 4/28/19. The Mingle box will happen 5/5/19. Treat sign up for summer worship is asking for all teams to sign up for a Sunday.
- ◆ Discipleship (Andrew and Cheryl) – Mugs and Muffins Men of Faith was a success. Future plans to come. Gail T. will do the next Mugs and Muffins on 4/20/19.
Bibleopoly end of quarter reports: 863 Individual stickers and 66 books read per week.
Temple talk after Easter to give update.

Old Business

1. Holy Week Planning and volunteers needed for a few services/duties.

New Business

1. Estate Gift of \$200,000– Bequest from the Trust of Ellen Juul. The council approved : 10% tithe would be \$16,000 for Mission Projects and \$150,000 to the Principal Mortgage. The Church in the World committee proposed four different groups to receive the money for Mission Projects: **1.** Katie Weikle /Germany Mission - \$5,000 to help with a building project **2.** Estonia for Seminary - \$5,000 **3.** Wings (Local Mission for Children entering Foster Care: clothing, stuffed animal, toiletries etc) - \$2,000 for rent for storage **4.** New Hope Missions - \$4,000 for a Dormitory.
ACTION – M/S/P to approve the Tithe amount for Missions.

2. Summer Intern Proposal: Requesting 2 paid interns – Combined Children and Youth Internship and Marketing and Design Internship.

3. Pastor Dave reports the lists that were made for the 150th Anniversary ideas were given to the Task Force. There were many great ideas. Mary Hodson and Joy May will be co-chairing. They will be meeting monthly and may create sub teams from the larger group.

4. Reminder that Pastor Dave is taking Sabbatical.

5. Pastor Paul is proposing a total of 9 weeks off for the summer to take time to reflect and report back in the Fall on his decision to remain on staff with his duties he has now. Pastor Paul's proposal is that he would not be paid for three pay periods. As a contract employee, he doesn't receive any paid time off.

The Correspondence box had a Thank You from ILT for our support, Thank You from New Hope Mission for our March gift, and a Thank You from Augustana Dist/Congregation in Tabor for the support of their Ministry.

*Closing Prayer was led by Pastor Dave.

*President Amanda adjourned the meeting

Coming Up: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 Devotions beginning at 6 pm. followed by the meeting of Ministry Teams and Council.

Devotions for next month: Andrew Weckwerth