

Faith Lutheran Church - Council Minutes Tuesday, August 16, 2022

President		Vice President		Treasurer		Secretary	
John Olsen	x	Mona Hjerpe		Ian McDonald	x	Penny Stuber	x
Connie Stromseth	x	Daryl Bateman	x	Tanja Glaser	x	Lindsey Hoffman	
Al Scharn		Mark Schumann		Niki Pokornowski	x	Patricia Block	x
		Maria Weikle		Karna Blake			
Pastor Scott		Pastor Dave	x	Pastor Paulus	x	Pastor Paul	x
Wendy Magruder	x	Marsha Schmit	x	Sara Wegner	x	Jeff Amundson	x
Austin Willhite	x	Laura Stowman		Kristen Durst			

Call to order by President, John Olsen @ 7:38 p.m.

Secretary's Report:

Change to the report, Date of the next council meeting was recorded as August 6 and should be August 16.

Action: M/S/P to approve the July meeting minutes with the amendment to the next meeting date.

Treasurer's Report:

Financial Update

Special Funds Account - There will be significant changes to these accounts for the month of August due to the mission trip expense payments and the house purchase

Interest rate investigation - for the Capital Campaign account

July received \$47,568.49 this is the lowest giving month to date and is lower than the same month last year

YTD our giving to date is still up \$10,000 from last year to date.

July expenses were higher this month due to church's obligation to the yearly youth mission trip (\$7,500)

The \$100,000 donation pledged to the purchase of the house for Greenhouse interns was received.

Action: M/S/P to approve the treasurer's report for July 2022.

Pastor/Staff Reports

Ministry Team Reports:

Church in the World (Connie and Al)

Discussed moving the Blessing Box closer to the church office windows for better monitoring of donations and usage.

Congregational Life (Niki and Tanja)

Hosting a Progressive Supper in October

Around the World theme

Menu based on the countries we have mission partners in

Discipleship (Daryl and Mark)

Hosting Community meal in September

Small group Bible studies will begin again in September

Discussed the Possibility of hosting a National Night Out event in 2023

Discussed the idea of a Summer Ice Cream social

Would like to host another date night this fall

Will be announcing a Sign up for Texting Communication of church events, cancelations, etc.

Discussed the idea of a Mystery Bus trip for Adults

Management (Exec Comm)

House Walk through was done at 8:30 am on 8/15/22

Closing on the house was done at 9:00 am on 8/15/22

Electrician has been hired and is currently working on the project.

Pastor Dave is consulting with a landscaper about the bushes around the property

New roof leaks

A couple of leaks sprung up with the last big storm

Areas of concern: Music room and Bathroom on third floor

Discussion on replacing the garage roof

A small committee was formed to do an inventory of what is stored in the garage

Music and Worship (Maria and Karna)

Overview of summer worship in the park

Austin is working on pricing on a piano

Looking at getting a new piano for the music room

Move a piano from the church into the Ansgar House

Children, Youth and Family (Patricia and Lindsey)

Day Camp and Bible Camp were with staff of Lake Okoboji

Great participation by our youth

Old Business:

House Update and Next Steps

A generous offer from a member - Member is preparing to sell their parents home and offered donations of furniture, kitchen items, etc. from the home for use in the Ansgar House.

Will create a small task force to help with creating a budget and making decisions on what improvements need to be done at the Ansgar House.

Radio and HCVN Update

Radio broadcast at 8 am on Sunday is a recording from the previous week HOWEVER the announcements will be current. Austin will record the announcements with Pastor Scott/Pastor Dave on Thursday and will send those to the radio station for Sunday's broadcast.

Beginning 9/11/22 - Live TV broadcast of the 8 am church service on HCVN channel 7

A piece of equipment is needed to broadcast the live service on cable tv.

Costs of box needed is \$750 - Funds are available in the budget to purchase

New Business:

Mt Carmel Proclaimer Congregation

Request was made by Mt Carmel for Faith Lutheran to become a Proclaimer Congregation. As a Proclaimer Congregation, Faith Lutheran would

- Recognized Mount Carmel as a mission partner
- Support Mount Carmel's teaching guidance
- Pray for Mount Carmel
- Inform members about Mount Carmel's ministry
- Provide Financial Support to Mount Carmel
- Financial Contribution commitment is \$250

Action: M/S/P for Faith Lutheran Church to become a Proclaimer Congregation for Mount Carmel Ministries

Personnel Update

Pastor Dave discussed the possibility of adding a position to the staff Young Adult Ministry/Social Media/Graphic Design position. Position would not be paid, but rather housing at the Ansgar House would be provided to the individual in this role.
Personnel committee will be meeting Friday, August 19 to discuss further.

Faith Groups- Small Group Bible Study

6-week study on the life of David set to begin September 19
There will be the option for groups to meet on Tuesday night
Dinner to be served beginning at 5:30
Watch video as a large group at 6:00
Break into small groups for discussion

Building Committee Formation

Form a building committee for Phase II ~ More discussion on this next month.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:43 p.m .

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at 7:30 p.m.
Devotions next month by Penny Stuber.