

Faith Lutheran Church - Council Minutes Tuesday, June 20, 2023

President Mona Hjerpe	X	Vice President Dennis Langehaug	x	Treasurer Ian McDonald		Secretary Amanda Schueler	
Jan Kreie		Tanja Glaser	X	Mark Schuman		Lindsey Hoffman	X
Al Scharn	X	Monica Schiller		Joy May		Jamie Kaping	
		Derek Durst	x	Karna Blake	x		
Pastor Scott	X	Pastor Dave	X	Pastor Paulus	x	Pastor Paul	
Wendy Magruder	X	Marsha Schmit		Sara Wegner	x	Jeff Amundson	X
Austin Willhite	X	Laura Stowman	x	Kristen Durst	x		

Call to order by President Mona Hjerpe @ 7:42 p.m. Opening Prayer by Pastor Scott

Secretary's Report:

M/S/P to approve the May meeting minutes as amended. The amount received for the live broadcast was \$2,300, not \$2,000.

Treasurer's Report:

Faith Forward capital campaign account will be renamed to Ansgar/FLIP (Faith Lutheran Intern Program). Capital Campaign funds continue to be received as we pursue Phase II of the Building Project. Giving for May was down slightly from last year's giving, but overall giving is up 2.72% year to date. M/S/P to approve the treasurer's report for May 2023.

Pastor/Staff Reports – No comments or questions were made. Any questions may be sent to staff.

Ministry Team Reports:

Discipleship (Mark and Joy)—Report presented by Wendy

We have received a lot of positive response regarding the May Day Baskets delivered and the cards being sent to members marking significant years of membership.

Mugs and Muffins will return, hosted by the FLCW with Discipleship team support. It is expected to be held on the first Saturday every 3-4 months. The first two scheduled for August 5th and October 7th.

Management (Exec Comm)

Roof repair was to begin mid-June, but Laraway hasn't answered recent e-mails. We'll keep trying. Phase II Building Committee met on June 1. further details will be listed in the Old Business updates.

The cracks in the parking lot have been reviewed and no repairs are needed at this time.

The Endowment Committee met and disbursed \$40,000 to 25-30 recipients. These funds cannot be used for operating needs of the church, but are designated for mission efforts such as Bible camps, relief efforts, mission trips, etc. Each year, 20% of the proceeds are invested back into the principal, which is currently about \$720,000.

Music and Worship (Karna and Derek)

The team is thankful for the response to the Pie In the Face fundraiser. It raised \$1,493.00, which is about half of the funds needed for the bell upkeep and repair.

The next fundraiser will be held in October or November and plans are under way.

Austin will attend a two-day music conference in July which will cover a variety of topics.

Children, Youth and Family (Lindsey and Jamie)

Reviewed community meal served at the beginning of the month. 45-50 people attended. Will set up rooms for VBS at CTK on Sunday.

Church in the World (Al and Jan)

Still need someone to serve the community meal in November.

Discussed issues with the Ethiopia government confiscating and redistributing food aid, leaving many people near starvation. Pastor Paul is working with the mission partners to find solutions.

Newborn kits will be assembled 15 minutes before the July ministry meetings. Everyone's help is appreciated. Please try to arrive at 5:45 to pack the kits.

Congregational Life (Tanja and Monica)

August 6th will be serving Sundaes on Sunday and also serving the community meal.

Need help on a couple more Sunday's to serve/set up treats in the park.

Old Business:

Ansgar House Update – Staff retreat focused on planning for fall internship program. Three interns are registered for the fall, but we could add more if we receive additional applicants.

Discussed funding for the Ansgar house and repairs/expense still to be completed. Received a bid to replace soffit/facia/gutters/downspouts. Waiting for a bid on carpet for the downstairs bedrooms.

Update on the CYF Fellows – Two great interns who are working together well. They're starting their third week of MS and HS ministry. They will support VBS next week which will give them good children's ministry exposure. They are both scheduled to present Faith Seeds in July.

Update on Mission Trip plans – Getting ready for the trip and they leave on July 7. They will mostly serve at work sites in the West Virginia communities. FLY has served in WV several times. There is a strong group and leader team.

Update on Phase II Building Committee – The building committee met at the beginning of June and reviewed the notes and feedback from the April council retreat. They will meet with the architect at the end of the month and may also plan to take tours of churches to get ideas.

New Business:

Sabbatical report from Pastor Dave – Pastor Dave did a presentation to the ministry teams on his sabbatical. The only additional item to note is that he suggested the Personnel Committee review the employee handbook to determine if the sabbatical policy should be updated.

Closing Prayer by Pastor Dave

Meeting Adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

The next regular church council meeting will be on Tuesday, July 18, 2023, starting at 6:00 p.m.

Devotions next month by Dennis Langehaug.