



CONGREGATION COUNCIL MINUTES

MONDAY – MARCH 20, 2023

Attending:

Tony Baumgardt, Dave Backmann, Nicci D'Amour (phone first 45 minutes), Dawn Jacobson, John Mantey, Rachel Petrach, Jeff Wunderle, and Steve Jacobson (for Visioning and MET updates)

Opening Prayer:

The meeting was opened at 6:02pm with prayer led by Tony, along with a reading of LCR's strategic priorities.

Prior Meeting Minutes:

Prior meeting minutes were reviewed. Dawn motioned for approval and Rachel seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Visioning Priority Teams update:

Culture/Communication: Tony updated on slides for each team to present during worship; one team per week. Each team should send their slide to Cheryl so that it can be included in the Cross for that Sunday. It was agreed we will start with the week after Easter.

Dawn: send slides to priority team leads and a schedule for the teams to present.

Building usage: Dave updated us on potential nonprofit that might be interested in sharing our building. In addition he gave an overview of the Soil event that will be held at our church.

Youth: Rachel discussed the reboot of Sunday School which they will start working on after first communion.

Fellowship/Relationships: Steve presented "Sunday Fun Day" plans and ask for approval to serve wine and beer. This was approved. This group will be planning quarterly events.

Engage Everyone: Currently they are working on getting the information on what is currently happening and who is involved. They are considering a database for tracking.

Dawn: Will ask Cheryl to send Connie/Stacy the list of current members

MET Team Update: Steve explained that the MET team is about 98% completed with the MSP document. They will be meeting with Pastor Holm on Tuesday of this week for his review and input.

President's Report:

- **Summer services:** Tony explained the need to decide on two items for Summer Services:

- 1) Will we have the 10 a.m. service outside this summer?
- 2) Will we have both 8am and 10 a.m. services this summer?

Discussion continued regarding needs for Sound support for outside services, moving equipment, live streaming for 10 a.m. service if inside, etc. John motioned to have both 8am and 10 a.m. services for the summer months. Dave 2nd this motion. Motion passed unanimously. John then motioned that the 10 a.m. service would be inside this summer. Jeff seconded this motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Dave asked if we could consider paying for the tech table services. This was decided to be tabled for a future meeting.

- **Easter Brunch:** Tony stated that we will be having Easter Brunch this year and that Jeff is leading this. There will be a flock note with the information, how to sign up to attend, and how to sign up to for the specific help needed. There will be a goodwill offering for those attending.

Treasurer's Report:

- February statements were presented. Dawn explained that the reported budget was incorrect for Facilities only. Cheryl will be correcting. Financially we are favorable \$27,662.01 for February due to lower salaries given the open Pastor position as well as other reduced spending through February (as well as shifts in pacing for actuals vs. budget items). Cheryl fully intends to send out the financials to the Council several days prior to the council meetings in the future.

Committee Reports: updates were covered in the previous discussions.

Old Business:

- National Wildlife Sign for nature preserve: Dave reminded the council that \$1,000 was approved for a national Wildlife Sign for the nature preserve. Dawn explained the funds were not requested to the finance committee to "carry these forward" and therefore there is no budget for these funds. However, "re-approval" by Council can happen. Dave is also looking for the nature preserve memorial signs that were stored in the shed. They seem to be missing.

New Business:

- There was no new business.

Closing Prayer:

Closing prayer was led by Tony.

John motioned to adjourn, seconded by Dawn. Motion passed and meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

Dawn Jacobson

Treasurer, Congregational Council

Next Meeting: April 17, 2023 – 6 pm
Closing Prayer: ? Nicci will update us