

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH
Congregational Council Meeting Minutes
June 18, 2017

Attendance: Pastor Nathan Hilkert, Adam Annis-Brown (face time via Ireland), Tegan Brown, Beth Melendez, Tim Tallent, Tommy Lane and Karen McIntyre.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Adam Annis-Brown @ 8:38am

II. OPENING PRAYER: Pastor leads the Order of Prayer for opening meeting and Gospel reading/discussion. ROMANS 5 verses 1-8.

Jesus is a preview of things to come.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FORM LAST MEETING (prn)

9:00am Council minutes from May approved with discussed suggestions/corrections via email. Tommy Lane motioned/Tegan Brown seconded.

IV. REPORTS

A.) Finances:

1.) Financial Secretary: Beth Melendez

Our income has an inconsistent flow, ebbs and wains or "bouncing".

Awaiting tax refund check.

Utility reimbursement catch up done for the year.

Chris needs to do utility calculation first week of each month.

Tegan motioned to accept the financial report, Tommy seconded, all agreed, passed.

2.) Bookkeeper report: Gil/Esther

No report. Employee on vacation. The Pastor Nathan to speak with company about providing reports early in the event of vacation or other obstacles. Messiah expects reports for our monthly council meetings.

3.) Treasurer's Report: Volunteer Gary Brinker

B.) Pastor's Report: Pastor Nathan

Purchased ICON. Now we are paying for both. Need to move data. Beth to get data handled. Tegan to help as needed. Also, Tim, Tommy and Karen need access.

Adam to login and help facilitate access for others.

Pastor would like to set up a meeting with Tim and Tommy to look at the Memorial Funds for consolidations.

Pastor to be @ Lutherrock next month.

Adam asked Tegan to get with Diane and write up the experience at Synod Assembly last month.

C.) Office Administrator's Report: Christine Bergman

The gutters need cleaning and possibly re-spiking to building.

Toilet in hallway bath needs follow-up attention to Kris Webb's fix.
Kroger cards continue to help 2-3 families per month. Records are being kept to limit recipients to once a quarter.

D.) Music Ministry Report: Carole Harris Mitchell

The 5/31 Appreciation supper was well attended/went well.

Choir on break as usual for the summer.

Possible workshop plans in the making.

Music library: Carole asks for help with cataloging by liturgical year. Hopes to get help on July 15 clean up day.

V.) MISSION STATEMENT

The council discussed and formulated a new mission statement.

We felt it important to use action verbs and God's word to convey an inviting outreach statement.

FORMING FAITH and SERVING OUR NEIGHBORS USING GOD'S GOOD NEWS

VI.) CLAIREMONT COMMUNITY DAY: 7/15-7/17.

This year it coincides with our own work day, July 15th.

Adam encouraging us to sign up to help.

VII.) WAYNE FELL: Energy Commitment

We all agreed we need to dig deep and do this revitalization program.

Our service in the community needs to be unique to Messiah, our signature that we are known for....

Ideas briefly discussed.

VIII.) CHRIS SMITH : Marketing program

our guest speaker from May council meeting discussed.

Karen suggested his program may not be needed if we are to embark on the revitalization mission.

Adam to get with Wayne Fell to ask if it would be overkill and get back with council. The similarities stand out.

IX.) PAC UPDATE

A.) Carnival ready, need volunteers per Tracy Brown

B.) Guatemala: trip this month, Tegan to give presentation next month.

C.) Faith Fusion: Heidi Hilbert. On hold presently after the birth of Penny.

X.) ELECTRONIC GIVING

Adam would like to set up a station for electronic giving to transpire.

Beth to send out letter today explaining our income "bouncing" situation and encourage congregants to use electronic giving to produce a more steady flow.

Karen to man station on 6/25. Tegan 7/2 Beth 7/9 and Adam July 16.

XI.) STAFF REVIEWS

Reviews are in progress. Adam, Tegan and Karen to review the self and peer evals.
Date 6/26 or 6/27. Wayne Fell meeting is 6/27. To finalize via email.

XII.) NEW BUSINESS

need to UPDATE signatures on BOA and FIDELITY accounts.

XIII.) THE LORD'S PRAYER

ADJOURNED @1018 by Adam Annis-Brown.