

MEETING MINUTES: Sunday, July 8, 2018

Council for Christ Lutheran Church and PreSchool

ATTENDEES: Tom Pfenning, Richard Davis, Kathy Davis, Penni Sauer, Mir Pawlak, Lois Menis, Pastor Amy Becker-Perez., Ken Pawlak.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 10:45 a.m. by PastorAmy

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 20, 2018: *MOTION to approve by Kathy Davis; seconded by Lois Menis. Approved*

FINANCIAL UPDATE:

- Balance Sheet: Council reviewed 6/30/18 Balance Sheet. Full salary is due this week which should tell us how the reserve is doing. Adjusting balance for June is \$576.46. Light Poles are the only big ticket cost left at \$1500. Tom has been paying chunks when we can afford to. With regards to snow plowing, Tom has paid all invoices received by email. Owner is once again trying to say we still owe more. Tom will follow up to push back but we may need a secondary person to get involved if needed. For the Boy Scout Eagle Project shed the council is willing to make a donation, but first the Eagle Scout must make an official appeal to the church to request assistance with funding. (This is required as part of his Eagle project to work to secure all funding himself). Mir to look into whether we qualify for an Amazon smile account. This could help off-set the Manna fundraising we used to do. *MOTION: Accept Financial Report for record. Motion by Richard Davis; Second by Penni Sauer; Approved*
- 2018 Budget: Council reviewed the first draft of the 2018 Budget. This included actuals through May and forecast for rest of year. Tom noted that currently we have only paid \$500 in Benevolence. Predicted deficit for 2018 is \$7,286. Tom will update next draft with actuals from June. We will review at August council meeting and then present the final to the congregation at the fall meeting for approval
- Finance software: Richard has submitted our application for Tech Soup as a non-profit. Once approved cost will be \$50/year and we will terminate the original Quick Books account. The finance software will be set up on machines of Christine, Richard, and church finance computer. Richard is having issues figuring out how to data transfer from Quicken to Quick Books. Suggestion was made to reach out to Boy Scouts and see if any of their parents has a resource or knowledge that could assist

LOAN REFINANCE: Maria said we should have update by mid this week. Expect to be ready for signing by Lynn, Tom, and Richard. Takes a week to process once signed. Anticipate seeing mortgage rate adjustment as of August.

PASTOR REPORT:

- Pastor will be OOO July 19-28. Pastor Bob Davis of Holy Cross will be on call.
- Baptism of Leah Grace Johnson moved to September
- Planning next outdoor worship service for July 29th. Lois checking with Harrison to see how much their AV set up ran so we can look into options for a simple outdoor speaker and microphone
- God's Work, Our Hands Sunday: Tentatively looking at September 9th. Focus is on helping the community, not just helping our own church. Pastor Amy anticipates holding a short 15 min prayer service and then sending teams out to work. Projects considered include: project warmth, Cool Food Pantry collection, Feed my starving children, school backpack and supply drive. Brainstorming for this initiative will be continued through email

PRESCHOOL/KIDS CAMP:

- Kids Camp: Kids Camp is going well. Complete 5 out of 10 weeks. Kathy has been trying to use extra counselors rather than extra teachers to keep costs down
- Fence: Boy Scout leader, Mike, has been helping Kathy look into repair options since we cannot do a full replacement. Goal is to get critical areas fixed first
- PreSchool Board: Board has lost Sarah and Rob and Amy P's involvement has been very limited. Down to mainly Kathy and Dick Barry but he has had recent health issues to attend to. Following up with Christina Johnson to see if she has interest to join the board. Kathy would like to consider adding a preschool parent to the board, but this will require a change of the bi-laws. Pastor Amy will guide Kathy on what she needs to do to come to August Council meeting requesting the official change to the bi-laws. Kathy, Dick, and Pastor Amy to meet and review a couple candidates for scholarship.
- Church picnic/Open house:

- Food: We are keeping simple and sticking with hot dogs, falafel, watermelon, chips, and cookies. Lois is cooking the falafel herself. She will get a sign posted to start requesting either food or money donations
- Blow up slide: Mir noted that her vendor now offers an inflatable slide. Preference is to rent that this year instead of the bounce house as more kids can use and it has less injury risk. Would still like to ask if the Boy Scouts could help monitor use of the slide if possible. Mir willing to pay the cost but if anyone makes a donation it will be accepted so long as all the food costs are already covered
- Boy Scouts: Kathy to ask the Boy Scouts if they would be willing to help with the event again
- Blessing of the back packs: Plan to hold this during the service before the open house

LEADERSHIP:

- Accompaniment on Sundays: Lynn to only pay twice a month. Ben Dahlke (for now) willing to start playing 1 Sunday a month. For short term we will look into non-music or other options for the remaining service each month. *MOTION to approve payment to Ben Dahlke for once a month made by Tom Pfenning; seconded by Kathy Davis. Approved*
- President duties discussion: Looking to have volunteers take on a number of the tasks that Lynn has been carrying herself as President. Decisions made:
 - Christine to be trained and take on: assignment of Worship Assistants, filing copies of the Council minutes in the binder, tracking yearly inspections and alerting to upcoming due dates, tracking vendors and payments made (i.e. copier, snow plow), contact for groups that use our building, tend to the Christ Lutheran email account, learn how to be a back-up for website editing
 - Mir to take on meeting minutes and distribution
 - Pastor Amy to temporarily take on setting meeting agendas and leading meetings
 - Mir will lead the 4th of July effort for 2019 (just needs Christine or Lynn to give alert once we can sign up)
 - Could use a second person to help in conversations with the organ company – will revisit this item next month
 - Council to all think and pray on someone who could help lead as President

EDUCATION: Mir to hold a meeting with volunteer teachers to discuss feedback from the 2017-2018 curriculum, makes decisions on next curriculum, and confirm volunteers for 2018-2019

OTHER:

- Boy Scout Training – this item is being pushed to the August meeting
- Parking Lot: Desperate need of a full scrape and re-paving but in the meantime could anyone help Tom with patching? Could the Boy Scouts help Tom with the patching? Penni to take on some initial fundraising to try and collect \$4,000 to cover cost of a reseal and paint striping
- Next meeting set for August 19th

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:52PM.