

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

MINUTES from : Jan. 18, 2016, 5:30 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: P = Present A = Absent

Craig Antonson - A	Sue Hildebrand - P	Jan Wick – P
Jon Delf - P	Kevin Jacobson - P	Jan Wilking –P
Ryan DeNucci – P	Jim Kusilek - P	Dave Wilson - P
Carol Hakala - P	Wendy Markgren – P	
Tina Henningson - P	John Osterloth - P	

STAFF MEMBERS: Pastor Grant Aaseng – A Pastor Bob Berg – P Amy Brekke – A Dawn Paul – P

PREPARATION

Devotions: John Osterloth
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Open Forum – No one present

Minutes from last meeting: Jan Wick moved to approve: Kevin Jacobson seconded; Minutes were approved

Reports of Committees and Task Force

Pastor Grant – (Written Report)
Pastor Bob – (Written Report)
President Dave-

Ministries Team Reports –

- **Property:** (John Delf) Insulation and cat walk above the sanctuary improvements have started.
- **Personnel** –(Jim Kusilek) Diane Peterson has completed her term; Bea Evans to replace her.
- **Mission Concerns:** (Craig Antonson)
- **Music and Worship** (Jan Wick) (written report) Feb 28 to recognize usher and greeters; Lent/Easter services planned.
- **Education** (Jan Wilking) Lock in went well; graduation banquet to be planned; VBS planning in the works
- **Stewardship** (Ryan DeNucci)—Estimate from special gifts (Christmas) \$13,000; \$471,000 now total for intent to give statements from 197 pledges.
- **Library** (Wendy Markgren) – No meeting
- **Welcome** -Tina Henningsen – (written report) Wanting church mission statement visible. Discussion about making coffee and putting it out before first service; Pew Pads...ushers need to pull out the sheets
- **WELCA** (Carol Hakala) – (written report) Preparing for Lenten lunches.
- **Altar Guild** (Jan Wick) – Letter to prospective new members.
- **Trust Fund** (Kevin Jacobson) investments at end of Dec. went down which is reflected in the Annual Report Trust Fund financials.
- **Chronotype** (Sue Hildebrand) –Ongoing articles
- **The Green Team** (John Osterloth-Meeting (today) cancelled due to weather. Question on lighting – an estimate yet to be received to improve some of the areas that appear to be darker than before.
- **Financials** – (Wendy Markgren) Kevin made a motion to accept the financial report and John Osterloth seconded it. Discussion took place regarding operating budget, mortgage, and special projects. Motion was accepted.
- **Information/Action:**

~ Election of Council Officers – election for officers will take place at next meeting.

~ Lighting Update – discussed earlier

~ Council Retreat__Date? Possibly April. Will discuss next meeting.

~ Personnel Committee Update – discussed earlier

~ Church Health Team Update – Team has been established; Determined that Small Group Ministry would be our focus this year. Main obstacles for small groups: Organization, Time/Commitment, and Trust/Security; brainstorming session has been completed. Church Health Team continues to meet and work on launching a Small Group Ministry plan.

~ Update on Nominees for Council- Roger Martin, Julie Bever, Beth Brown, Walfsty Pierre, (Wendy Markgren and Tina Henningsen nominees for second terms) and Trust Fund (Steve Adams)

~ Annual Meeting – Review of Agenda

1. Volunteers for ballot distributors/counters; mic holders; quorum counters -- Dave collected names. Council members are all asked to be present for the Annual Meeting.

~ Tim and Carley Schnacky are not able to go to the Luther Park Annual Meeting January 23. Looking for replacements.

~ Thanks to outgoing council members

ASSIGNMENTS

Feb. Devotions: Dave Wilson

Feb. Collection/Lock up Building: Craig Antonson and John Osterloth

Mar. Devotion: Carol Hakala

Mar. Collection/Lock up Building: ___ and _____

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn - Lord's Prayer

Next Meeting: Feb. _____, 5:30 p.m - Executive Meeting: Feb. 8, 5:15 p.m.

Submitted by,
Sue Hildebrand, secretary