

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

MINUTES from: Monday, May 16, 2016 (prepared by Roger Martin)

COUNCIL MEMBERS: P = Present A = Absent

Craig Antonson – P	Carol Hakala – P	Wendy Markgren – P	Dave Wilson – P
Julie Bever – P	Tina Henningsen – P	Roger Martin – P	
Beth Brown – P	Kevin Jacobson – P	John Osterloth – P	
Ryan DeNucci – A	Jim Kusilek – P	Walfsy Pierre – P	

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

PREPARATION:

Devotions – Tina Henningsen

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Open Forum – None

Minutes from 4/18/16 meeting – Approved (Markgren/Osterloh)

INFORMATION/ACTION:

Future Devotions – Pastor Grant encouraged our future devotions to incorporate what we've learned from our Personal Gift Profile from *The 3 Colors of Ministry*. All council members are encouraged to complete their own profile on-line or via hard copy and share it with Pastor Grant.

Technology/SHELBY NEXT– Reviewed costs and proposed timing of the Shelby Next software upgrade. Target start-up is August 1. Set up funding of \$4000 has been approved by the Trust Fund. On-going monthly fees estimated at \$329/mo. will be expensed to 150-Office Supplies budget. Conference call with Mike Martin from Shelby addressed council member questions. Council expressed importance of communication in the successful launch of this new technology.

- *Motion: Set-up a Marketing Task Force to plan the launch of Shelby Next to the congregation. Task Force Members: Jim Kusilek, Walfsty Pierre, Wendy Markgren and Adam B. APPROVED*

Associate Pastor position – Continued discussions from April meeting. As approved in previous meeting, Executive Council began identifying and contacting individuals to serve on a Task Force to develop a plan for the future of the Associate Pastor role post retirement of Pastor Bob. Task Force members to-date include: Pastor Grant, Tina Henningsen (chair), Kevin Jacobson, Beth Brown, Ted Hakula, Lori Bowman and one additional member at-large.

Lead Financial Secretary – Sue Derro has agreed to fill the position of Lead Financial Secretary replacing Ed Glaubitz. Sue's husband Dave will provide spreadsheet support.

- *Motion: Approve Sue Derro as Lead Financial Secretary (Antonson/Hakula). APPROVED*

Financial Audit – Wendy reported that 3 members have agreed to serve on a Financial Audit Team to conduct an audit as per constitution guidelines. Jack Cotton (3 yr term), Jolene Anderson (2 yr term) and Eric Pelle (1 yr term). Terms are renewable for 2 terms and are structured for only one member's term to expire each year.

- *Motion: Approve members of Financial Audit Team as presented (Osterloh/Bever).*
APPROVED

Red Cedar Symphony – Amy shared discussions that have taken place re: the potential for the Red Cedar Symphony to be using Bethany as their new “home” for a one year trial period. Such a move would entail the group holding 2 concerts and 6 Sunday afternoon rehearsals annually at Bethany. The group would have access to our organ and other church instruments. They would require a locked closet and would also house their instruments at Bethany and we would have use of their instruments as needed. They would provide required liability insurance and are open to the negotiation of fees associated with janitorial expenses. This arrangement would expose our church to potential new members and brand Bethany as a music leader in the community.

- *Motion: Accept proposal for Red Cedar Symphony to use Bethany as their “home” for a one year trial period as negotiated by Amy Brekke. Executive Council to be included on details/terms (Markgren/Antonson).* *APPROVED*

REPORTS:

Pastor Grant – see written report

Pastor Bob – see written report

Finance – *Motion (Wilson/Hakula): Approve Financial Report/Statement as presented.*
APPROVED

NOTE: Add staff reports in future

MINISTRY TEAM REPORTS:

Personnel (Tina) – see written report

Property (Walfsty) – see written report

Mission Concerns (Craig) – noisy offering at end of month

Music & Worship (Dave) – see written report

Education (Julie) – see written report

Stewardship (Ryan) – see written report

Welcome (Wendy) – see written report

WELCA (Carol) – see written report

Altar Guild (Beth) – see written report

Trust Fund (Kevin) – Eric Carlsen is the new chair

The Green Team (John) – 4 new members recently added

Finance (Jim) – see written reports

Church Health Team (Carol) – Small Group Leader training held on 5/14

NEXT MEETINGS:

Executive Committee: Monday 6/13/16 5:15p

Council Meeting: Monday 6/20/16 5:30p

ASSIGNMENTS:

June Devotions: Beth Brown

May Collection/Lockup: Julie Bever/Beth Brown

