

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

MINUTES from: Monday, August 15, 2016 (prepared by Roger Martin)

COUNCIL MEMBERS: P = Present A = Absent

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

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

PREPARATION:

Devotions – Craig Antonson

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Open Forum – None

Minutes from 7/18/16 meeting – Approved (Osterloh/Antonson)

INFORMATION/ACTION:

Property Committee 5 Year Plan – Walfsty Pierre made an AV presentation detailing repairs recommended by the Property Committee. The committee expressed concern that several on-going maintenance projects have been postponed over several years due to budgetary limitations. As a result, the proposed list for 2016 was fairly extensive:

1. Replace flat roof areas (estimate = \$53870 from Paul's Sheet Metal)
2. Repair leaking windows on lower level of new addition (estimate to remove 1 window to assess problem and ID repair plan = \$300)
3. Repair circulation pumps for boiler (estimate = \$4500)
4. Insulate sanctuary (estimate = \$2000-\$3000 material only using volunteer labor)

A 2017 project list was also shared. Follow up discussion focused on planning/budgeting for these projects. Council additionally discussed securing additional opinions/estimates on the roof replacement and timing. From a budgeting perspective council discussed funding the project through fundraising and/or borrowing as well as potentially using \$ from the Bright Hope for Tomorrow Building Fund. Council asks the Property Committee to fine-tune the roof plan with additional opinion/estimate for the September meeting.

Pastoral Ministry Task Force – The Task Force is meeting 8/17 to review the results of the congregational survey. The group will be making decisions toward its recommendations for our future pastoral staffing which is due in November.

Free Clinic – a request for funding was received by Bethany from the Free Clinic. Jim Kusilek will forward the letter/request to Julie Bever of the Healthy Initiative committee.

Memorials Directives – council discussed how to handle/direct memorials given to Bethany that aren't specifically directed to an item or cause. A suggestion was made to consider producing a "menu" which shows a variety of specific causes/items (e.g. new banners) and the associated cost so memorials might always be directed. Future action was tabled.

Website – a brief tour of the new Bethany website was conducted by Dawn. Council members should personally spend time on the site to become familiar with it and make suggestions.

REPORTS:

Pastor Grant – see written report

Finance – Motion (*Hakala/Osterloh*): Approve Financial Report/Statement as presented.

APPROVED

MINISTRY TEAM REPORTS:

Personnel (Tina) – NA

Property (Walfsty) – NA

Mission Concerns (Craig) – Mission Jamaica garage sale FRI/SAT 8/26-27

Music & Worship (Dave) – see Dawn's written report

Education (Julie) – NA

Stewardship (Ryan) – NA

Welcome (Wendy) – NA

WELCA (Carol) – NA

Altar Guild (Beth) – NA

Trust Fund (Kevin) – NA

The Green Team (John) - NA

Finance (Jim) – NA

Church Health Team (Carol) – Small Group kick off planned for Fall

NEXT MEETINGS:

Executive Committee: Monday 9/12/16 5:15p

Council Meeting: Monday 9/26/16 5:30p (NOTE: one week later than normal to accommodate Pastor Grant's schedule)

ASSIGNMENTS:

September Devotions: Roger Martin

September Collection/Lockup: Roger Martin/Ryan DeNucci

October Devotions: Walfsty Pierre

October Collection/Lockup: Kevin Jacobson/Tina Henningsen