

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

MINUTES from: Monday, February 20, 2017 (prepared by Roger Martin)

COUNCIL MEMBERS: P = Present A = Absent

Craig Antonson – P	Carol Hakala – P	Roger Martin – P
Julie Bever – P	Tina Henningsen – P	Jen Nelson - P
Beth Brown – P	Jim Kusilek – A	John Osterloth – P
Chick Feather – P	Wendy Markgren – P	Walfsy Pierre – P
		Dave Wilson – P

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

PREPARATION:

Devotions – Pastor Grant for John Osterloth

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Open Forum – None

INFORMATION/ACTION:

January Meeting: An informal meeting was conducted January 16, 2017 while council gathered at Kusilek's for a holiday party. Kevin Jacobson and Ryan DeNucci were thanked for their role on council. Chick Feather and Jen Nelson were welcomed to council. Financials for DECEMBER Year End were approved. New officers were nominated/elected for 2017 as follows:

- Tina Henningsen - President
- Beth Brown – Vice President
- Roger Martin – Secretary
- Wendy Markgren - Treasurer

New Council member information: Documents summarizing the duties of council members were provided to Chick and Jen.

Devotions/Offering & Lock Up Assignments: Sign up sheets were distributed to council for members to sign up for Meeting Devotions (once per year) and Offering/Lock up (2 months per year). The resulting 2017 Schedule for these duties is attached to these minutes.

Council 2017 Committee Assignments – Council discussed committee assignment for the upcoming year. Each Council member (except the secretary) serves on one committee and reports key issues to council at monthly meetings. Assignments are as follows:

Personnel: Tina Henningsen

Property: Chick Feather

Mission Concerns: Craig Antonson

Music & Worship: Dave Wilson

Education: Jen Nelson

Stewardship: Walfsty Pierre

Welcome: Wendy Markgren

WELCA: Julie Bever

Altar Guild: Carol Hakala

Trust Fund: Jim Kusilek

Green Team: John Osterloth

Finance: Beth Brown

Church Health/Small Groups: Carol Hakala

Committee Displays – In an effort to effectively manage the church building and ensure that congregation communication be cohesive and consistent, committees should direct plans for displays in the church building to staff for review and discussion. Dawn Paul is the point person. Council members should communicate this procedure to their respective committee(s).

Council Retreat/Walking Together event at NW WI Synod – It was decided that council would forego its traditional spring retreat in favor of waiting until the new Associate Pastor is on board and be part of the process. Additionally, Pastor Grant's hope to have all council members attend the Walking Together conference on SAT, March 18 at NW WI Synod offices, doesn't work for many so it will be an optional event for council. All council members who can attend should. Contact Dawn if you plan to attend. John O. will drive and all council attendees should meet at church at 7:15 a.m.

Council Meeting 3/20 – Council meeting will begin at 5:00 pm instead of 5:30 pm for those who wish to hear about the Walking Together event. Pizza will be provided.

Call Committee Update – A meeting on THU 3/2 at 5:30 pm is planned with Greg Kaufmann from the Synod office to review the final documents being submitted. The committee has elected to first focus on first call candidates who are graduating from seminary this spring. Tina will follow up with Larry Brown to arrange his giving a brief committee update at each of our regular council meetings.

Financials (JAN 2017) – Motion to approve financial report (DW/JO). APPROVED

Report Notes - John Osterloth is looking into the potential for Valet Parking on Sundays for worshippers in need of assistance.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Executive Committee: Monday 3/13/17 @ 5:15p

Council Meeting: Monday 3/20/17 @ 5:30p (come at 5:00 pm for Walking Together update & pizza)

ASSIGNMENTS:

March Devotions: Julie Bever

March Collection/Lockup: Julie Bever / Jennifer Nelson

April Devotions: Tina Henningsen

April Collection/Lockup: Roger Martin / Beth Brown