

BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

MINUTES from: Monday, April 15, 2019 (prepared by Bill Evans)

COUNCIL MEMBERS: P = Present A = Absent

Mal Bailey – P	Paul Baribeau - P	Julie Bever – A
Mike Diercks – P	Rachel Engel – P	Bill Evans – P
Chick Feather – P	Alexa Giddings – P	Michael Husak – P
Jennifer Nelson – A	Ed Skaw – P	Brad Wiedmann – P
Dave Wilson – P		

STAFF MEMBERS: Pastor Grant – P Pastor Luci –P Dawn Paul – P

PREPARATION:

Devotions – BE presented devotions using the synod encouraged technique “Dwell in the Word”.
Sharing Joys & Concerns – Numerous joys/concerns were shared including that Ed Skaw is a new Grandpa. Congrats !!
Open Forum – none

Meeting Minutes 3/18/19: Motion to approve minutes. Approved (DW/BW).

INFORMATION/ACTION:

Old Business: - none to discuss

New Business:

The remaining Holy Week schedule manpower needs. There are many needs. Council members are encouraged to sign up and help out.

Reports:

Pastor Grant:

- ✓ Previously submitted report is complete.
- ✓ Regarding support during Pastor Luci’s leave. Scott can start June 1st. He is a 2nd year seminary student and retired police officer. Scott would work on special projects contacting/visiting members and preach as needed.
- ✓ The Piano and Accessories Fund will be winding up by Easter. There are still about 20 keys unfunded but more donations are still coming in. Motion to use dedicated funds up to \$2500 to cover any short fall of donations? Approved (BE/MB).

Pastor Luci:

- ✓ Previously submitted report is complete.
- ✓ Bethany has agreed to host the Building An Inclusive Church training workshop May 10-11.

Committees:

- ✓ Previously submitted reports are complete.
- ✓ Motion to accept the Finance Report approved with one dissent (DW/ES).

- ✓ CF stated that a request has been made to post weekly bulletins so people traveling and watching online can have by service time on Sunday. DP will bring up with staff and hopefully have bulletins posted on our website. Good to know people are watching us!
- ✓ The Chili Cookoff was a success and more than 30 young and young in spirit participated in the line dancing.
- ✓ MB stated the Seasoned Saints Birthday Party was a success and that honored participants represented over 1000 years of Bethany membership. Need to check if Leah can publish the picture.

Chapter 2 “Growing Young” Book Study was led by PL:

- ✓ A good discussion. It was recommended that council members share discussion with their committees. Especially about working/interacting with youth and young adults.
- ✓ Review and discuss chapter 3 for next month.

Vision 2020 and Beyond discussion was held:

- ✓ The three groups are Growing Young, Building Community and Growing Faith.
- ✓ We revisited our three pillars of our Vision 2020 Objective.
- ✓ Review leadership & volunteers.
- ✓ Breakout small group discussions were held to review objectives/direction.

Vision 20/20 Next Steps

Growing Young summary provided by RE:

- ✓ Each team member should ask 3 people what is missing/ they like more of at Bethany.
- ✓ Plan at least one event to be announced at VBS when young adults are present.
- ✓ Other ideas include; Movie, paint and sip, breakfast, game night, bible study, outreach rotating throughout the year.

Party Planners summary provided by PG:

- ✓ We are doing a good job!
- ✓ There are 3 groups focused on this area; welcome/party/care.
- ✓ How do we build synergy between these three groups and grow forward?

Building Faith summary provided by AG

- ✓ Lots of discussion around what the youth are doing today.
- ✓ Any feedback on are they enjoying it?
- ✓ Recommended each council member reach out to a youth and ask them what they think. Maybe ask them what Bethany could start/stop/continue doing for and with our youth.
- ✓ The witnessing provided previously by talks regarding what it means to be a Lutheran were good. Perhaps we could do continuing 5 minute “temple talks” where 1-2 members could speak about what Bethany / Christianity / God means to them.

- Next Meeting Date:

Executive Committee	May 13th – 10:30 a.m.
Council Meeting	May 20th – 5:30 p.m.

- Assignments:

May Devotions	Ed Skaw
May Collection/Lock Up	Ed Skaw/Dave Wilson