

ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2021

CALL TO ORDER/OPENING: Vice President, Jim Butt, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm with 12 Council members present and one additional attendee, Betty Kurtz. No trustees were present at the meeting. Pastor Eaves opened the meeting with devotions and prayer.

ATTENDANCE:

Pastor Eaves	Beth Jack, Outreach Committee
Fred Rackow, President	Pam Neisendorf, Christian Education Committee
Jim Butt, Vice President	Sonja Sporleder, Memorial Committee and Benevolence
Cindy Kuschel, Recording Secretary	Jeff Pergande, Board of Elders
Darlene Tegtmeier, Treasurer	Steven Sporleder, Board of Elders
Marilyn Eaves, Altar Guild	Christy Petersen, Preschool Committee

MINUTES OF 3/9/2021 COUNCIL MEETING: After review, Fred made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Jim seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

REPORTS:

Treasurer and Financial Secretary:

- Darlene Tegtmeier, Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's Report reflecting Old Second Bank balances as of December 31, 2020. Darlene stated that additional work is required to reflect correct income and expense totals through April 30, 2021.
- Darlene also presented an updated copy of the 2021 budget. It was noted that \$1,376.65 is remaining in the LERT Fund. After discussion, Beth Jack moved to send the money to Bob and Jean Warfel's current church in Kansas which has an active LERT program. Pam seconded the motion and the motion was approved.
- The December 31, 2020 Treasurer's Report, Income & Expense as of April 30, 2001, and the 2021 Budget are attached as addendums to these minutes.

Fred reported that banks Darlene and he have been researching will not provide a credit/debit card. After discussion, Darlene will reach out to First American Bank to possibly obtain a debit/credit card.

Trustees' Report:

- Outside entrance ceilings were power washed and front beam was re-stained.
- Concrete still to be poured/finished in the pole barn.
- An additional paper tray was added to the office copier.

Elders' Report:

- Jeff noted that attendance is averaging 58-60/week.
- Outdoor services will continue. The Elders are working on criteria if weather might be an issue.
- Funeral service for Lenore VonKaenel will be held Saturday, May 15, 2021. The visitation will begin at 10:00 am with the service to follow at 11:00 am. Luncheon will be served.
- We have had no recent baptisms but scheduling is in progress for future baptisms.
- Some visitors have indicated a desire to join St. Peters.

Outreach Committee:

- Beth reported that the 119 people participated in the Easter Egg/Pictures with Easter Bunny event.
- Movie Night is scheduled for Friday evening, 5/14/2021.
- Coming in July will be an Ice Cream Social/Car Show/Touch-a-Truck event.

- Electric Sign – Front of church property: This item was brought up for the Council to revisit as another way to publicize church services, upcoming events, etc. After discussion, a motion was made by Darlene to form a committee of volunteers to work on outdoor signage for our church. Sonja seconded the motion. Motion was approved. Next steps will include putting information in the weekly Messenger for 4 weeks asking for volunteers to be a part of the committee (deadline to sign up will be noted).

Christian Education:

- Pam stated that weekly Christian education has finished for the year and will resume the Sunday after Labor Day (9/12/2021).
- VBS theme has been chosen. Registration is available online and in other areas as well. VBS begins the week of July 19, 2021.
- Youth Group: No report

Preschool Committee:

- Christy reported that to date 19 children are registered for M, W, F class and 10 registered for T, TH class.
- The most recent fundraiser brought in \$1700 in profit.
- Last day of 2020/2021 preschool is May 25, 2021.
- Contracts for 2021/2022 school year are going out; committee is looking to fill an assistant position.

Memorial/Benevolence:

- Sonja reported that the balance in the Memorial Fund is \$49,296.00.
- Concrete work to be done specific to the pole barn will be paid out of the Memorial Fund.
- Balance in the Benevolence Fund is \$1982.00.

Altar Guild:

- Marilyn advised that bread and not wafers will be used at outdoor services.
- Marilyn thanked everyone who has and continues to sign up for altar flowers and for purchasing lilies for Easter.
- A list of weekly duties will be created and posted in the back of church on the bulletin board for members of the Altar Guild to refer to.

Pastor's Report:

- Pastor noted possibility of a double baptism in June.
- Discussion was held on potential new members.

NEW BUSINESS:

- No items remain open that were on Darlene's agenda as discussed at the 3/9/2021 Council meeting.
- Job/Board Descriptions project status: A push to step up the project and begin drafting descriptions will be underway. It was suggested that the old Church Constitution be referred to for assistance in creating descriptions.
- The Council wishes to thank Fern Petersen for her work on the flower beds outside and also for all of her extra work inside during this past year of Covid.
- Fred indicated that Council will be in recess for the summer unless any urgent matters arise.
- Pole Barn: No completion date can be provided at this time. Beth will be informed when project is completed (estimating mid-late June).
- No "Trash-to-Treasures" event will be held this year.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Darlene made a motion to adjourn, and Christy seconded the motion. Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm. Pastor Eaves led us in prayer to close the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Kuschel, Council Recording Secretary