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**Hosanna Lutheran Church Special Congregation
Council Meeting Minutes September 4, 2017 (Amended Sept. 23, 2017)**

Present from Council: Bill Schwertlich, Interim Pastor; Jon Evans, President; Betty Dove, Mission Focus/VP; David Vroom, Lay Leadership; Pat Gibbons, Council Secretary; Pam Wells, Spiritual Life; Sharon Lindquist, Care Team; Kathy Burns, Finance Team

Absent: Becky Wolf; Financial Secretary; Robert Brown, Treasurer; Jeff Hartmann, Stewardship; Valerie Oden, Staff Support

Guests: Christy Hall (incoming Spiritual Life Team Leader)

Meeting Call to Order: Jon Evans called Meeting to order at 11:45am in Room 5.

Jon Evans opened - Discuss the possibility of creating a disaster fund that Hosanna will use to directly assist disaster victims.

A motion was made by Pam Wells and seconded by David Vroom:

“To create a separate line item in the Hosanna budget called Hosanna Disaster Relief Fund. The fund will be administered by 3 non-council members who will develop the parameters for distribution. These administrators will recommend the distribution parameters for approval by Council before any distributions are made.”

Council unanimously approved this motion.

Lay Leadership will recommend potential candidates and will be accepting recommendations from other Council members.

There have been other congregations from Pennsylvania that have reached out to Hosanna and wish to directly assist flood victims through us. Even notes may be sent from the PA congregations for those flooded. Anyone can contribute to this fund.

Sharon Lindquist and Pam Wells will send “Thank You” notes to contributors.

Council Retreat: Jon Evans suggested we cancel our Council retreat at Lutherhill due to the important needs of flood victims.

A motion by Pam Wells and seconded by Betty Dove that: "At this time we will cancel the council retreat at Galveston Zions' Center. Instead we will meet Saturday, September 23rd at the church possibly from 9am to 5pm or as determined at a later date." The Council agreed unanimously.

Adjournment: Motion made by David Vroom to adjourn meeting. It was seconded by Kathy Burns. Council approved by acclamation. Meeting adjourned at 12:15pm.

Council prayed the Lord's Prayer together.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Gibbons, Council Secretary