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HOSANNA LUTHERAN CHURCH Congregational Meeting Minutes August 14th, 2016

Call to Order

Chad Greer called the meeting to order at 11:42 a.m. in the Hosanna Sanctuary.

Prayer

Pastor John offered opening prayer.

Declaration of a Quorum

Secretary Yvette Martinez advised a quorum was present with 50 members in attendance.

Congregational Meeting Minutes

Yvette Martinez presented congregational Meeting Minutes from 05/01/16 for review.

Pat Gibbons called for a motion to approve minutes. Richard Dove seconded, all in favor, motion passed to approve 05/01/16 congregational meeting minutes.

Update on Ideal Impact

Joe will be putting a synopsis of the savings information together. At this time the anticipated savings a month is 883 dollars, and at the committed stewardship level it is 1,097 dollars a month in savings. Continue to keep the doors shut and lights off whenever possible.

Financial Update – Ron Christ and Team

2016 Spending Estimates Update – This year we have come very close to the budget. We are right where we want to be. There are no areas where we will be exceeding our budget.

2016 Benevolence

In the past benevolence has been increased by .5% via the mission program. Although the desire to do so had been present, there were other items that were pending, so the benevolence stayed the same.

Proposal: the church council made a proposal that effective August 1st, 2016 our benevolence will increase to 8.5%. Motion made by Ron Christ, seconded by Alex Jackowski. Motion passed to increase the benevolence to 8.5%

The “Repair and Refurbishing Fund”

Over time it has become important for a task force to come together to look at the physical needs of the church that have been neglected over time. Because of this, the “Repair and Refurbishing Fund” has been created in order to fund this specific area.

Proposal: The “Repair and Refurbishing Fund” will be put in place in order to cover costs that deemed as immediate needs for Hosanna Lutheran Church. See attached. Craig Jenkins made the motion. Susan Greer seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

VBS Reports (Shonna Harden and Joyce Evans)

Vacation Bible School was a success. There were an average of 40 children per day. The children seemed to enjoy it, and there were no major injuries. There is an interest to extend VBS to two weeks for next year.

Fall 2016 Sunday School Program: It is tough to have a Sunday school class with only one child in some cases. More commitment is necessary to the Sunday school program, and children are needed. Please invite children to Sunday school.

Upcoming Events

40th Anniversary: The 40th anniversary of Hosanna Lutheran Church will take place on September 25th, 2016.

“God’s Work, Our Hands”: Will take place on October 23rd, 2016.

For the Good of the Church

- Susan Greer: The two dollars project, thanks to every ones generosity, is now at 170.00 from the bake sale.
- Nancy Agafitei: Radical Hospitality team set up sponsors for new members. There is a little synopsis of each of them, the information will be sent out.
- Beth Johnson: Thank you to all that were on the “Burning with Faith Campaign”, glad that it has paid off.
- Maureen Kennedy: Thanks to all those that will provide us with food and dedication for the celebration.
- Chad Greer: It is his last Sunday as president. Would like to thank everyone for this opportunity to serve. “We really are serving God and changing lives. Thank you for your support. Turning it over to Jon Evans.”
- Ron Christ: Thanked Becky Wolfe for “keeping the numbers straight and keeping us in line”
- Dottie Kemper: “Thank you Pastor John for lowering the AC during exercise class.

Adjournment

President Chad Greer called for a motion to adjourn meeting. Jeff Chestnut made motion to adjourn, Susan Greer seconded, motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned by Chad Greer at 12:50 p.m. with the Lord’s prayer.

Yvette Martinez
Council Secretary