

Zion Lutheran Church Council Minutes Tuesday, November 16, 2021

Roll Call:	Kelly VanderWeyst	Norma Nielsen
Jena German	Kathy Johnson - Excused	Kathy Heffernan
Sharon Paranto	Shane Schauer - Excused	Pastor Mark Galbraith – via phone
Ed Suchomel	Nicole Shutter	
Nancy Schmidt	Mary Kost	Saundra Anderson - Guest

The meeting was called to order at 6:39 PM

Devotional: Shared by Kelly VanderWeyst. Theme: The Daily Act of Thanksgiving. Discussion ensued and we opened with prayer.

Minutes: Correction to date of next meeting, updated to 11/16. Kelly made a motion to approve the updated minutes, Nicole seconded. Motion carried. See attachment.

Treasurer Report: Kelly made a motion to approve the report, Norma seconded. Motion carried. See attachment.

Pastors report: See attachment.

Parochial Report: See attachment.

Announcements:

- German Fest:
 - Organ Restoration Fundraiser
 - Rescheduled to Sunday, December 12th, 4 – 7 PM
 - Tickets are sold at church on Sundays, at the church office and at the door
- We are still in need of 2nd service soundboard operators
- Newsletter Deadline: Tuesday 11/23
- Advent Services
 - Held December 1,8,15 at 6:05 PM
 - Soup Supper Prior from 5:15 to 6 PM
- Treats for Council – it was determined to continue to have 1 person designated to bring “snack”. Noted that it does not have to be a meal.

Congregational Good News/Concerns: N/A

Action Items:

- Nominations: (to be included in January's Annual Meeting)
 - Sharon nominated Jena German serve another term, second by Kelly, carried with unanimous consent.
 - Sharon nominated Ed to service as Vice President in 2022, Kelly seconded, carried with unanimous consent.
 - Jena nominated Sharon to serve on the Call Committee once formed. Kathy H. seconded, carried by unanimous consent.
- Combining Committees:
 - Proposed:
 - Executive Committee – no changes
 - Worship and Music – no changes
 - New Combined Committees:
 - Create Finance & Stewardship which would include
 - Finance (currently vacant)
 - Stewardship
 - Properties
 - Create Faith Formation which would include
 - Education
 - Youth (currently vacant)
 - Create Welcome & Caring which would include
 - Welcome and Outreach
 - Fellowship
 - Visitation (currently vacant)
 - Social Concerns would be renamed Mission & Outreach and expand their scope of ministry

Discussion ensued, only 1 person would serve on council, although all are welcome to attend. Nicole made a motion to move forward as seen above, to bring to a vote in January. Ed seconded. Carried by unanimous consent.

- 2022 Budget Meeting: 2 PM, Sunday, November 28th.
- Nominating Committee is meeting Sunday, 11/21 between services.
- Sound Operators – Tabled to Committee Report
- Confirmation Meals will start January 12th from 6 PM – 6:30 PM for 7 weeks, after which Lenten meals will be in place. Plan for 24. Each committee has volunteered cover a week.

Ongoing Discussion:

- Faith Chests – Jena is working with Avera to find availability of their Carpenter Shop. More to come. Several people have indicated an interest in assisting. We will need 3 chests soon for baptism, we have only 1 on hand.

Committee Reports:

1. Executive Committee – met prior to meeting. Virginia Tobin's resignation as Visitation chairperson was accepted. Final suggestions for Restructuring Committees were determined to take to council for discussion.
2. Education (Kelly)
 - a Trunk or Treat was a HUGE success.
 - b December 12th: Advent Fair for youth
 - c Dec 19th: Traditional Christmas Children's Program
3. Fellowship (Kathy J.) – no report
4. Finance (Vacant) – no report
5. Properties (Shane) – no report
6. Social Concerns (Nicole) – Serve Confirmation meal 1/26
7. Stewardship (Mary) – Bulletin Inserts
8. Visitation (Vacant) – no update
9. Welcome & Outreach (Norma) – New member Sunday and Baptism: 12/19
10. Worship & Music: (Kathy H) – See attached
11. Youth: (Vacant) -
12. Capital Campaign:
 - a 47 people have pledged or are 1-time givers
 - b \$500 was raised with Sunday's caramel/cinnamon roll sale.

Adjourn – Nicole made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mary seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM

Council closed with prayer

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 21st at 6:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Schmidt, Secretary