Council Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2022

Meeting Call to Order at 7:00PM by Carolyn Andrews

Opening Prayer was provided by Pastor Bill.

Minutes Approved February 15, 2022 Marlene Kiser

Present: Carolyn Andrews; Kirsten Ireton; Pastor Bill Wessner; Marlene Kiser; Linda Duffek; Cathy Davis; Shirley Prouty; Laura Tice; Carole Vance; Clarence Korhonen; and Faith Harper

Absent: Christina Hisamoto; and Paul Maki

Approval of Council Meeting:

Both November 16, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes, and December 12, 2021 Annual Congregation Meeting Minutes were accepted with no corrections needed. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Kirsten Ireton; seconded by Laura Tice. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Reports:

Finance - Treasurer's/Special Funds/Financial Secretary - December Reports

- Kirsten was present as the New Council Treasurer and was available to answer any questions.
- No questions were asked on any of the reports (Treasurer Report, Financial Secretary's Report, and Special Funds Report).
- Short fall this year end (2021) but did not come as a surprise.

Property – January Report emailed to Council.

- No actions on the report.
- Clarence presented two items needing to be watched from the report: Wrought Iron Fence Proposals; and Storm Drain Fee – Zoom Meeting January 26 by the Sacramento County. May need comments sent to County if fee goes up from our current \$400.00/month.

Worship & Music – January Report emailed to Council.

- Minutes reviewed by Shirley Prouty.
- No questions asked.

Community Concerns – January Report emailed to Council

- Minutes reviewed by Linda Duffek
- No questions asked.

Education – No meeting/No report.

- Laura Tice reported that Sunday School is taking place with Peggy Moser filling the teacher position.
- More teachers are needed, Laura has reached out but currently have not gotten positive responses.
- No questions asked.

Youth - No meeting/No report.

- Currently no Adult Leaders for the Youth Board.
- Elizabeth Brasier has resigned her position.
- Pastor Bill reported that he had no recommendations for the National Youth Assembly in July, nor has any youth request information about the event.

Evangelism – No meeting/No report.

- Carole Vance reports that Carol Carney and her were planning to meet.
- No questions asked.

WELCA – Oral report only

- Marlene Kiser reported for WELCA this month at the Council Meeting.
- Report was made on Benevolence for 2022: distributions of \$3760.00 to multiple organizations.
- Events for the coming year were discussed as possibilities to take place.
- At January's WELCA Meeting it was decided to cover the President's position with different members two months at a time. The members covering would be responsible for the duties of attending the month Council Meeting, leading the W-ELCA meeting that month, and writing the article for the Newsletter. The following is those members covering the position by month:

Marlene Kiser-January

Peggy Moser – February & March

Carol Carney – April & May

Faith Thomas – September & November

WELCA Board - December

Carol Vance will represent WELCA at the Council Meeting June, July, August, & October (months that WELCA do not meet for meetings).

Presentation of Board Action Items for discussion/council approval:

No Board Action Items for discussion or council approval needed this month.

New/Old Business:

Welcome to new members: Kirsten Ireton – Council Treasurer and Marlene Kiser – Council Secretary

Youth Board Update: - Elizabeth Brasier declined the chairperson position.

News & Views:

To help with the church budget it has been requested to post the News & Views newsletter on the St. Luke's webpage. This would cut down on the cost of postage to send out the newsletter to our members. Since everyone does not have access to read the newsletter online there is going to be a survey available for members to complete if they would like to continue receiving the newsletter by mail. It was indicated that there will be available at the church printed copies of the newsletter also that members can pick up one every month.

Board Reports:

Monthly Board reports should be emailed to the Council Secretary, who in turn will email to Council Members. This will assist with hopefully eliminating duplication of reports being sent.

Transition Team Update:

Marlene Kiser, Transition Committee Team Leader, reported that the team has already meet twice this month (January), with the 3rd meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2022.

What the committee is working on:

- The Ministry Site Profile is being reviewed by the team, and sections needing work – surveys, references, purpose, and giftedness, are being addressed by the group.
- Two surveys have been sent out and are due January 19, and a third survey was sent last week and is due on February 6, 2022.
- Part of the Ministry Site Profile includes the documentation of who is the Chairperson of the Call Committee. It was stressed that the Council needs to have this person in place before the Profile can be submitted to Synod. After a discussion with the Council Members present it was agreed that Council Members would talk to church members who may be interested in serving on the Call Committee. If a member indicates they are interested to a Council Member, the Council Member is to email Kirsten Ireton with the member's name. Kirsten has agreed to keep a tally of those who are interested in being part of the Call Committee and provide the list to the Church Council.
- Goal of the Transition Committee Team is to have the Ministry Site Profile ready to bring to the next Council Meeting on February 15, 2022.

Kirsten Reported:

Secretary State SI100 Standard of Information filed electronic to the State, a paper copy is also available and filed at the church (St. Luke Lutheran Church of Sacramento, California).

Closing Comments:

Pastor Bill – thanked all in the transition from the old Council Members to the new Council Members for 2022.

Clarence Korhonen – Concern expressed with the aging of our members we need to be looking to grow our church with new blood.

Faith Harper – thanked everyone for the help she had last year during her service as Council Secretary. Everyone thanked Faith for her service on the Council.

Faith also indicated that there is a Quarterly Congregational Officer Meeting: with guest Bishop Megan Rohrer, on Saturday, January 22, 2022 at 10:30AM via Zoom. All Council Members were invited to attend.

Kirsten Ireton: quoted: "If you cannot do great things, do small things in a great way." By Napoleon Hill.

Meeting closed at 8:07PM with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted, Marlene Kiser Council Secretary marlenek@att.net