

**St. Luke Lutheran Church of Sacramento, CA
Council Meeting Minutes**

October 15, 2024

Approved Minutes
19 November 2024
Marlene Kiser

Meeting Called to Order at 6:05 PM by Chet Madison

Opening Prayer was provided by Peggy Moser.

Present: Chet Madison; Peggy Moser; Kirsten Ireton; Marlene Kiser; Cathy Davis; Laura Tice; and Carolyn Andrews

Absent: Kathleen Arndt; Punky Dias; Kelly Boyer; and Faith Thomas

Guest: Clarence Korhonen for Property Board.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Peggy Moser to accept the September 17, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes, without any needed corrections, and was seconded by Kirsten Ireton. The motion passed unanimously by the present council members.

A motion was made by Peggy Moser to accept October 3, 2024, Special Council Meeting Minutes, without any needed corrections, and was seconded by Laura Tice. The motion passed unanimously by the present council members.

A motion was made by Peggy Moser to accept October 13, 2024, Special Congregational Meeting Minutes, without any needed corrections, and was seconded by Kirsten Ireton. The motion passed unanimously by the present council members.

Board Reports

Treasurer Report:

- Kirsten reported on the budget impact with the new pastor who was approved by the church on Sunday, October 13, 2024. Increase for the budget for the rest of the year (2024) will be about \$13,000.
- No further questions on the report were asked.

Committee Budget projection 2025 worksheets:

- Kirsten Ireton reported that almost all boards have responded with their budget changes or requests. Worship & Music is working on a few items and will provide a budget after Saturday's meeting on October 19th, 2024.
- It was decided to remove the line item for the Youth Group since currently the Youth Group is not active.

- Community Concerns and Evangelism so far have requested a slight increase in their budget request.
- Next year's budget does not include the use of any Reserve Funds.

Action Item: - No action items

New Business:

Greeters and Ushers concerns – Follow Up

- Chet Madison led a discussion around the follow-up needs of "Greeters" and "Ushers".
- Part of the discussion included that anytime the Council makes a requested change on duties of a board that time be allowed so that the Chair member can notify their members.
- Chet Madison will be talking to the Head Usher on the need to have at least one other usher assigned to help every Sunday.

Property Board – Excess Property Consideration:

- Clarence Korhonen representing the Property Board, reported on the discussion the Property Board had on the Excess Property considerations.
- Jerry Thomas presented to the Property Boards considerations that the church may need to address with any change in the usage of the property.
- Clarence Korhonen is investigating how the property can be used.
- Chet Madison discussed the possibility that a developer may need to be asked to provide some ideas.

New Pastor start date:

- Chet Madison reported that he had notified Brother Robert Williamson of the approval vote of the church to call him as our next pastor.
- Chet Madison is still in discussion with him on the exact start date, but the desire is that he will be able to start the first of November.
- Exact hours have not been worked out yet, but currently the discussion occurred around Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday to be office hours with Sunday morning service.

Serving on various committees:

- Chet Madison discussed getting more members involved in the church boards.
- Suggestion was made to have Ministry Fair. One suggestion was to have the Ministry Fair available at the December Congregational Meeting.

Congregational Meeting – December 8, 2024:

- Cathy Davis reported that the Evangelism Board will make a sign-up sheet for the potluck that will be placed in the Church Narthex for the Congregational Meeting.
- It was suggested by some of the women after the W-ELCA Fall Festival, that the table decoration this year for the meeting could be the Christmas Items from the Boutique Sale that had not sold. Everyone thought that would be a great idea.

Old Business:

100th Anniversary Update:

- Peggy Moser reported on the Community Sub-committee. 101 reams of paper were collected and distributed to our community schools: Charles Mack Elementary School, Parkway Elementary School, and Fortune School.
- Cathy Davis reported on the pictorial directory project which is planned to start in January/February 2025.
- Kirsten Ireton reported on the Fund-Raising Sub-committee that only 19 cookbooks are left.
- Next General 100th Anniversary Committee Meeting is planned for December 1st, after church.

Closing Prayer by: Marlene Kiser

Meeting adjourned at: 7:16 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
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