

Council Meeting
Monday, October 16, 2023

In attendance: Pastor Nick, Vicar Christine, Jonathan Kraatz, Craig Womeldorph, Pete Marquart, Bob Hill, Jane Seris, Tom Brekhus, Lori Anderson, Jerry Court, Simon Scholtz, Jonathan Charlton

Absent: Lisa Derasaugh, Claudia McWhorter

Called to order: 7:00

Opening Devotion: Tom Brekhus

Lori Anderson offered to do the devotion for November

Approval of September minutes:

Minutes Approved

Treasurer's Report – Craig

- Discrepancies in treasurer's reports due to issues with finance monitoring system service so suggestion made to table treasurer's report until next month while waiting for finance committee to make necessary adjustments as they receive training on inputting information into Quickbooks so everything lines up in correct categories (motion approved)
- Suggestion to close Mission Investment Fund account (around \$29,000) and transfer to Capital Account (motion approved 8-1)

Committee Reports

Questions /Discussion About Committee Reports:

Youth

- Question about curriculum and how it is adapted for wide range of ages

General – make sure committee chairs know what to include in their reports (what they have been working on or what has been discussed in past month and future events)

Visioning Committee

- 6 people have volunteered plus Pastor Nick and Jonathan
- Looking for 1-3 more people: need more diversity (under 40 and newer members – less than five years)
- Goal: Have draft of vision goals from committee by end of the year to be ready for January congregation meeting

Building Use Approval / Fundraising Approval

- Request has been approved to use our property to host NTNL Youth Retreat on Saturday December 2nd for 4th, 5th, and 6th from 9am – 5pm
*Needs to be added to church calendar

Old Business

- A. AGLC Property Maintenance and Upgrade Policy to be added to Policy (motion approved)

Part time paid positions

- 1) Music Secretary (5-10 hours/week)

Music management

Organizational tasks

Filing of music parts

Jonathan will meet with worship and music to discuss further and talk to Buffy for job description

- 2) Social Media/Website/Marketing

15 – 20 hours /week

\$50 -100 /hour market standard

Jonathan will ask for proposal

Jonathan will talk to Buffy about coming up with job description- still pending

New Business

- A. Youth Room Flooring Proposal
 - o Money has been raised/donated
 - o Approved spending up to \$9,000
- B. New Projects - Property Committee will come up with list of 5-7 potential projects and send out survey to congregation and rank them according to priority: no priority, low priority, or high priority
- C. Business Manager Staffing Position
 - o Possible: 10 hours /week
 - o Lori will email Shepherd of Life and Jerry will email Calvary to find out job description/qualifications/salary information from those positions at those churches
- D. Nursery –
 - Concerns about notifying families of children needing assistance
 - Needing volunteer assistant to help
 - Sign in system

General Discussion

- A. Christmas Eve falls on Sunday
Pastor Nick said will be regular morning service time (10:00am) and two evening services (5:00pm and 7:00pm) and possible event during the day (ex. hot chocolate and cookies)
- B. Mid-Week Worship Service
Attendance: 15-20
Will continue through end of year
- C. October 15 Service
 - o 18 new members joined
 - o Attendance: 171
 - o 158 lunch plates served
 - o Huge thanks to Fellowship Committee and Abiding Dudes for all their time and effort

Closing Prayer – Pastor Nick

Meeting Adjourned – 8:56 pm