

PEACE EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH
Voters' Meeting
Sunday, January 29, 2023, 10:45 AM

- A. Call to order at 10:45 AM**
- B. Opening Prayer by Pastor Timmerman**
- C. Roll Call:** Charlie Kling, Micah Rimpel, Terry Brower, Larry Niltz, Mark Nelson, Jim Walkley, Jon Ott, Roger Commissaris, Kalrton Wedge, Josh Gower, Pete Weyenberg, Ron Miller, Paul Retberg, Shawn Gavan, Ralph Holewa, Nathaniel Timmerman
 - a. **In Person Members:** 16
- D. Approval of the previous Voter's Meeting Minutes (Sunday, October 16, 2021)**
 - a. Meeting Minutes stand as submitted
- E. Membership Action**
 - a. None
- F. Acceptance of new voting members (male communicant members 18+ who have signed the Voters' Assembly list indicating their agreement with Peace's Constitution & Bylaws. If you have not done this and wish to participate in our business meetings, please speak with the president of the congregation)**
 - a. Pete Weyenberg
- G. Reports**
 - a. **Pastor Timmerman:** Printed Packet
 - b. **Elder:** n/a
 - c. **President**
 - i. I am preparing to contact potential auditors to perform the audit of the 2022 financial records
 - ii. The council is forming a Team to review the future use of our facilities and grounds and make recommendations concerning them
 - iii. Michigan District Constitution Committee has approved our revisions to our Constitutions & Bylaws.
 - iv. Member assistance program is coming to an end we had a \$400 debt that will be paid with Memorial Funds
 - d. **Vice-President & Treasurer's report by Rodger Commissaris, Andy Winter, Bookkeeper, and Ralph Holewa, Treasurer**
 - i. **Treasurer & Bookkeeper's Report:**

Through December 2022	Annual Budgeted Amount	Y-T-D Actual Amount	% of Budget
Gen. Fd. Income	\$150,000	\$151,485.00	100.90 %
Gen. Fd. Expenses	\$150,037.00	\$153,545.94	102.34%
Difference	-\$37.00	-\$2,060.94	-1.44%
	Balance on 01/01/22	End-of-Month Bal.*	Difference**
Dedicated Funds	\$99,951.53	\$91,542.27	-\$8,409.26
Total Fund Balance	\$141,314.76	\$132,798.58	-\$44,795.57
Unrestricted Funds Balance (B-A=C)	\$41,363.23	-\$3,432.34	-\$44,795.57
* Amount left over. ** Amount changed since January 1, 2022.			
LACE Loan: Previous Month's LACE Balance = \$108,663.06			
Y-T-D Total Paid to LACE = \$14,442.00 LACE Balance as of 12/15/22 = \$107,813.61			

Through December 2021	Annual Budgeted Amount	Y-T-D Actual Amount	% of Budget
Gen. Fd. Income	\$171,087.00	\$153,781.44	89.89 %
Gen. Fd. Expenses	\$171,087.00	\$160,185.59	93.61%
Difference	\$0.00	-\$6,404.15	-3.72%
	Balance on 01/01/21	End-of-Month Bal.*	Difference**
Dedicated Funds	\$23,598.11	\$99,951.53	\$76,353.42
Total Fund Balance	\$64,795.57	\$141,314.76	\$76,519.19
* Amount left over. ** Amount changed since January 1, 2021.			
LACE Loan: Previous Month's LACE Balance = \$118,819.62			
Y-T-D Total Paid to LACE = \$15,600.00 LACE Balance as of 09/17/21 = \$117,921.31			

ii. **Financial Secretary** (e-mailed)

1. The Treasurer's Report & Financial Secretary's Report do agree for General Offerings

iii. **Maintenance Committee/Coordinator**

1. See Pastor's report

H. Unfinished Business:

- a. n/a

I. Recommendations from the Church Council:

a. Amendments to the Constitution & Bylaws

- i. We recommend to the voters that Peace use up to \$2,000 of Memorial Fund money to purchase 75 of the new Christian Worship: Hymnals needed for the sanctuary seating
 1. Discussion
 - a. Do we need to buy physical copies in the pews vs. display them on screen in the front of church
 - b. What is the synod stance on hymnal / how long are they viable for? – approximately 20 years.
 - c. Our singing will be better if utilize written text vs. sing off of a screen.
 2. Decision
 - a. Motion by Marc Nelson, and supported by Josh Gower, to approve the purchase of 75 new Big Blue hymnals, using up to \$2,000 of Memorial Fund money.
 - i. Motion carried

J. New Business

- a. Motion by Ron Miller, supported by Ron Holewa, to disregard the 2021 audit and move forward with a 2022 audit.
 - i. Discussion
 - ii. Decision
 1. Motion carried

K. Elections – none needed

L. Announcements:

- a. The next Congregational Forum & the next Voters' Meeting will likely be held in October

M. Adjourned at 12:05 PM

Recorded by Micah Rimpel, Recording Secretary