EKLC April Council Minutes Monday, April 15, 2013 at 6:30pm

Present: Karen Hayes, Gloria Fruit, Kristen Lien, Dave Reese, Dave Repyak, Hal Schuh, Ken Rude, Dwaine Sievers, Elizabeth Kaashagen, and Pastor Dave

Meeting opened in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit by Gloria at 6:32 PM.

Devotions were given by Pastor Dave

New Business

Dwaine Sievers reviewed the budget and shared his thoughts. Takeaways:

Educating the congregation on the purpose of missions is important

Comparing budget of 2012 to budget for 2013 is an inaccurate comparison. Need to use actual dollars from last year in reporting.

We need to show where money is coming from and where it is going in the reporting to the congregation.

Elizabeth and Dwaine will start working on some new reporting for year end.

Consent Agenda

Financial Reports: As submitted Secretary's Report: As submitted

Committee Reports

Education: As submitted

Pastor's Report: Additions to submitted report.

Pastor Dave has an educational session this week so confirmation will be cancelled. 5/21-5/28 vacation, Karen will do pulpit supply or work with the Choir to expand their "Best of" selections.

LUAD: Lutherans United Assisting After Disasters contacted us about help for families in community.

Can we look into taking out a wall in education wing to make a larger room for a youth room?

Karen moves to give a subscription to Splash! for the family of newly baptized infants. Money in calendar year 2013 to come from the dedicated youth and family ministry account. Dave Repyak seconds. Motion carries on a 6-1 vote.

Confirmation families will be asked whether they want their children to be on Lutheran college mailing lists.

Personnel: No update.

President: Additions to submitted report.

Continue to send thank-you notes for memorials. Julie will send out to council members.

Property:

Parsonage task force is forming. Dave Repyak, Hal Shuh, Kurt Klemp, Dwaine Sievers, Judy Taylor, Bonnie Ehrke, Ken Rude, and Leif Ehrke will be members. Looking for more members and input.

Spring Clean-up – Confirmation classes can help with clean-up? Pastor Dave to work with Dave Repyak.

Stewardship: Committee meeting scheduled for May 9.

WELCA: No update

Worship Committee.

Recommendation is that Altar guild expenses for eternal candles should come from memorials. All other expenses from general fund.

Wish List: Dave Repyak moves to accept the Wish List guidelines as submitted. Hal Schuh seconded. Motion carries.

Use of undesignated memorials needs to be approved by the council.

Motion to approve consent agenda by Kristen, Seconded by Hal. Motion carries.

Old Business

Dave Reese will follow-up on cost of Internet/phone/web - Update for the next meeting

Following up with Benevolence giving from other churches. Pastor Dave to call and ask for annual reports from other congregations. We will be coming up with a strategy for communicating first fruits giving. Stewardship committee will work with Pastor on a plan. Stewardship meeting is May 9th.

Gave us some options from other congregations and how they report missions and benevolences.

Missions committee will be created. Look for people who are interested for the May meeting. Define what benevolence is for our congregation and where our money should go.

Make empty cards available in pew for questions, comments, concerns, ideas etc. Make spot with name. Julie to make up a template. Gloria to talk to her.

Pictorial directory: No update

New Business

Dave Reese will no longer be serving on the council after the May meeting.

We will look at process for filling an empty space on the council for May.

Monthly 1 liners – bring to council any items EKLC members have "voiced" to council members. Doesn't mean there has to be discussion. It's important that member's "voices" are heard. Discuss options of how to hear members thoughts/concerns. (Hal)

No decision on next steps

Hal moves to have East Koshkonong send letter to South Central Synod that we request Bishop Burnside to be removed from his current position. Dave Repyak to second. Motion failed.

Future Events: Presentation of resources (by Thrivent) for May 20th meeting

Lord's Prayer.

Motion to Adjourn by Dave Repyak, Karen seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 20, 2013 at 6:30 PM.

Faithfully submitted,

Kristen Lien

EKLC Secretary