

# *EKLC December Council Minutes*

Monday, December 17th, 2012 at 6:30 PM.

Present: Jaime Lewellin, Karen Hayes, Bonnie Ehrke, Pastor Dave Nelsestuen, Gloria Fruit, Kristen Lien, Dave Repyak, Elizabeth Kaashagen, and Dave Reese.

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

Devotions given by Pastor Dave. The council shared our highs and lows since the last time we met.

## Consent Agenda.

*\*Financial Reports:* Income was greater than expenses for November. In an effort to update all of the signers on the various accounts held at Cambridge State Bank, it has been decided to add David Repyak as signer on the two CDs and also the Safe Deposit box.

*\*Secretary's Report:* One minor change was made to the wording on the Pastor's report. Otherwise accepted as is.

*\*Nominating Committee:* The committee has given their suggestions for consideration for the open positions for 2013. Further nominations will be accepted at the Annual Meeting.

A question was asked if we should limit the repetition of the nominated voting members for Synod Assembly; the hope would be to have as many people as possible experience this great event.

Pastor informed us that in addition to the voting members that we send to the Synod Assembly, we are able to send one youth or young adult under the age of 30 as an additional voting member. We will discuss this further and extend nomination requests.

*\*Pastor's Report.* Pastor provided a letter requested by Cambridge State bank to name all signers authorized on the Good Samaritan Fund. Motion made by Kristen Lien to allow Pastor Dave to be given signature authority on the Good Samaritan account along with Elizabeth Kaashagen and Holly Loomis. Seconded by Bonnie Ehrke. Unanimously approved. Motion carried. The letter was signed by Bonnie Ehrke as President and Jaime Lewellin as Secretary.

Things to ponder: When are bibles given to children? First Communion practice? Confirmation requirements?

*\*Jail Ministry Report.* Dane County Jail is in need of winter coats. They are looking to put out a flyer/requests to collect coats at EKLC.

*\*President's Report.* Church Mutual came and took pictures of the stained glass to update for insurance purposes. Church Mutual wanted to make us aware that we can review our policies at anytime.

*\*Worship Committee.* As submitted.

*\*Stewardship.* Great news! Income exceeded expenses again. Something is working!

*\*Education.* The Christmas program was a great success!

*\*Property.* There have been some repairs done to the main church. A railing was added to the balcony. Dave Repyak is working on the faucet in the kitchen. The exterior lights are all in great condition and working. As far as the parsonage, the plumber will be in on Wednesday. This will wrap up everything we planned for this year. There are additional items that will be done in the future (estimated at about \$4,000).

*\*Personnel.* No update.

*\*WELCA.* Submitted with the President's report.

Motion made by Kristen to accept the consent agenda reports. Seconded by Dave Repyak. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

## Old Business.

*\*Pet Policy.* It has been discussed and decided that animals other than service animals will not be allowed within the church buildings unless preapproved by the council for special events. Motion made by Jaime Lewellin to accept the new Pet Policy. Seconded by Kristen. Unanimously

[approved. Motion carried.](#)

*\*Budget.* Motion made by Kristen Lien to accept staff increases as follows; Choir Director: 1.7%, Accompanist: 5%, Organists: 1.7%, Custodial Labor Church: 3%, Custodial Lawn/Snow: 3%, Office Manager: 5%, Financial Secretary: 3% and Treasurer: 3%. Seconded by Gloria Fruit. 5 Yes and 2 Nos. Motion carried.

We will meet on budget and Benevolence on January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 PM

New Business:

*\*New business tabled until January.*

Motion to adjourn made by Kristen. Seconded by Gloria. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Lord's Prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 11:14 PM.

Next Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 21st, 2013 at 6:30 PM.

Faithfully submitted,  
Jaime Lewellin