

EKLC February Council Minutes

EKLC Council Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 18, 2014

6:30pm

Called meeting to order.

Present: Sonja Christensen, Hilary Terland, Gloria Fruit, Carroll Ehrke, Elizabeth Kasshagen, Ken Rude Pastor Michael Devotions by Pastor Michael.

“Action-Item” agenda was introduced as a new way of conducting council meetings. It’s intended to put action items that need attention and voting at the beginning of the meeting and reports at the end.

Personal Sharing: Where did you see God at work this last week in the world, community, your life? (Something new we’ve added to the meeting.)

Motion made to approve the February council minutes was made by Gloria Fruit, seconded by Hilary Terland. Motion carried.

New Business

- Property committee asked council to set a date for the Yard Clean-up. The date of April 12th was set, with the alternate/rain date of April 19th. No specific time was set.
- Pastor Michael’s contract was reviewed by council. Motion to accept the contract was made by Hilary Terland, seconded by Ken Rude. Motion carried.
- Council agreed the dates the Worship committee decided on for services at the upper church were fine. Pastor informed us that, in the future, decisions like this be left to the respected committee as to not micro-manage.
- Good Samaritan fund at the Cambridge State Bank: It still has Pastor Dave’s name listed on the account, and it needs to be removed. Ken Rude made a motion to remove Pastor Dave’s name from the Good Samaritan Fund, seconded by Sonja Christensen. Motion carried.
- Safe Deposit Box at the Cambridge State Bank: Jane Furseth and Bill Hitchcock are listed as persons in charge of the box. Jane requested she be removed and Bill is deceased and his name must be removed. Motion to remove both Jane Furseth’s and Bill Hitchcock’s name was made by Ken Rude, seconded by Carroll Ehrke. Motion carried. New names were discussed to add in place of those removed. Sonja Christensen made a motion that Holly Loomis’ and Carroll Ehrke’s names be added to the Safe deposit box at the Cambridge State Bank, seconded by Hilary Terland. Motion carried.

Old Business

- First stages of the credit card policy were discussed. Hilary will continue to work on and refine the policy, with Pastor Michael, to best fit the needs of everyone involved.
- Madison Mallards Baseball outing: Carroll gave the information to Ben Thompson who is checking into the different packages that are available and pricing.
- Gloria will check with Rick as to the status of the repairs to the arms of the chairs.
- Skaalen Retirement Services Annual Meeting: Wilma Furseth and Hilary Terland attended on March 16th at

- 1:00pm. A fellowship reception was held at 1pm with the meeting following at 1:30. Their 2014 budget was accepted unanimously.

Financial Reports:

- As submitted. Elizabeth did let us know that the reports we received tonight did not balance out, so she will go back through everything until it balances and email the new forms to us.
- Also, see new business for additional financial discussions.
- Motion to accept financial reports made by Carroll Ehrke, seconded by Hilary Terland. Motion carried.

President:

- Sonja has been in contact with Bishop Mary, who informed her that Pastor Michael will be guiding us through the call process.

Personnel: no update

Pastor:

- In regards to the call process, Pastor did inform us that it will take some time getting ready to begin calling a new pastor.
- Pastor will begin “Listening Sessions” with the congregation in the next week. He will place a sign-up in the Narthex or members can call the church office to schedule a time. These sessions will be for 1 to 10 people at a time and will focus on our individual needs, wants, hopes, hurts from over the past.
- May/June Pastor will conduct a congregational event to identify the core personality of our congregation to identify who we are as a congregation. Once identified, we will then be able to figure out our gifts and what God is calling us to do that is different from other churches.
- All this is in preparation to begin calling a new pastor. We can’t call a pastor if we don’t know the type of pastor we need that will fit in with our congregation.

Call Committee: No update

ARK: As submitted

Education: As submitted

Property: As submitted

Worship: As submitted

Stewardship: no update

WELCA: no update

Trust: no update

Meeting adjourned 8:41pm