

EKLC March Council Minutes Monday, March 18th, 2013 at 6:30 PM.

Present: Pastor Dave Nelsestuen, Gloria Fruit, Kristen Lien, Dave Repyak, Elizabeth Kaashagen, Hal Schuh, Dave Reese, and Ken Rude

Meeting opened in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit by Gloria at 6:34 PM.

Devotions given by Pastor Dave.

Consent Agenda.

**Financial Reports:* Expenses again exceed Income by \$1,500.

**Secretary's Report:* Accepted as submitted.

**Pastor's Report.* Accepted as submitted.

- Additional information from CROP looking for help. If interested check the bulletin board
- Carol Hasvold sent some info for the archives.
- Council installation on Sunday April 7.

**President's Report.* No update

**Worship Committee.* Accepted as submitted.

**Stewardship.* No update

**Education.* Accepted as submitted.

**Property.*

- Gloria moves to choose the GI copier lease plan with an amount not to exceed \$370 per month for 60 months. Second by Hal. Motion carries.
- Parsonage updates: Getting bids on updating bathroom, and fixing basement leaks.
- Main Church updates: sink and faucet updates for kitchen, need to add smoke detectors and CO detectors.

**Property addendum:* Based on the reoccurring water issues in the parsonage basement, pastor will not be moving into the parsonage.

**Personnel.* No update

**WELCA.* No update

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

Old Business

- Schedule presentation of resources (by Thrivent) for some time in 2013: they have resources that we can utilize. Let's pick a month that we would like them come for a 15 minute presentation: April 15; **May 20**; June 17.

May is our first option following by June, then April. Dave Repyak will contact them

about this.

- Committee Liaisons:

Trust Fund: The committee oversees the Edward Jones trust fund. They will have a meeting to formulate a plan of action and discuss meeting quarterly. Trust Fund Committee members include:

Andy Christensen, Dick Rudisill, and Erica Thompson

Hal Schuh will be the council representative

- Health committee:

Kristen Lien will be the council representative

- Stewardship committee

Ken Rude and Hal Schuh will be part of this

- CART – Caring for the Homeless

Cambridge is putting together a group to help with this issue.

Looking for volunteers. Contact Gloria Fruit for more information

New Business

- Comments from Annual Meeting

Bonnie put together a summary of comments from members. Individual questions about the budget will be addressed individuals. Elizabeth will get details and Gloria will find the people

Dave Reese will follow-up on cost of Internet/phone/web

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.

Dave Repyak will follow up with a member about making our budget more understandable.

Make empty cards available in pew for questions, comments, concerns, ideas etc. Make spot with name.

- Church Pictorial Directory

Lifetouch merged with Olin Mills

Need a volunteer to organize this. Gloria will put in newsletter

- LEAD recap – Pastor Dave; Karen, Gloria

LEAD events offer opportunities to network and learn. Keynote speaker was on Rich Church, Poor Church. We shouldn't be afraid to talk about money. How do we return blessings from the blessings we have been given.

Poor church concentrates on what it lacks. Rich church concentrates on what it has.

- Advertising in WI State Journal: promoting EKLC. Someone from WI State Journal would work with us. There is a cost

We are not interested at this time.

- Malaria Sunday – 4/28. Do we want to have a special offering?

Yes, worship committee will figure out details.

- Parsonage task force

Create Newsletter article talking about what this is and ask for volunteers. Gloria will create draft and email for input.

Kristen Lien makes a motion to adjourn at 8:40, Dave Repyak seconds. Motion carries

Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.