

May Council Minutes Thursday, May 25, 2017 6:30 pm

Call to Order at 6:32. In attendance: Vicki Schuh, Barb Klemp, Brian Rosenthal, Diane Luginbuhl, Johnnie Jacobson, Brenda Schroeder and Pastor Brenda. Not in attendance, Don Amundson.

Adopt agenda motion made by Brian, second by Brenda. No discussion, passed.

Devotions – **“Lasting Impact” discussion on 7 powerful conversations** that will help your church grow. We read chapter one prior to this meeting and discussed the questions provided. We will read chapter two for the next meeting.

No guests at our meeting this month.

Approval of Minutes: from April, 2017 motion to approve by Vicki, second by Johnnie. No discussion, passed.

1. Treasurer: Financials - Elizabeth sent us a narrative that states that we had a good April with five Sundays and Palm Sunday and two Easter Sunday services. By the end of April, our general offerings were \$13,333 more than in 2016. There was a large bill for fuel. As of this date, we are trailing by \$16,145 comparing income to our expenses.

a. Motion to accept financial reports by Brenda, second by Vicki. No discussion, passed.

2. Treasurer – Don, not present at this meeting.

3. Old Business

a. Strip and polish tile floor outside sacristy and east and west entrances

i. Waiting for quotes from Property committee updated. A company has been contacted and a quote should be forthcoming.

b. Education committee recommending background checks for all Sunday School/Confirmation teachers

i. Waiting for receipt of policy from education committee.

c. Parsonage property tax and Income tax to pay? Barb has contacted the township chair who will research the issue with the help of other expertise regarding property tax. Still waiting for info on income tax.

d. Kitchen remodeling committee, no response yet. Diane will pursue some options to get the project started.

e. 125th Anniversary celebration Upper Church – August 20

f. Personnel committee – Do we want to start to work on the new committee while the current one is winding down over the next few months? We will each come up with possible nominees for this committee.

4. New Business

a. Myron Fosdal memorial – Family wishes to donate item and **name plaque. Get a process in place to maintain the ‘wish list’.** Contact the former wish, need committee to see if they would resume being committee members, review the policy and update if necessary. Brenda will contact the former members. Pastor Brenda will contact the Fosdal family with some suggestions as to items we would like/need that could be purchased with this memorial gift.

b. Distribution and approval of reports to the congregation through the monthly newsletter. The June meeting will be the third Thursday of the month to allow reports to appear in the newsletter.

c. Donations made to church – guidelines needed? We will use the wish, needs list policy for guidelines.

d. Cambridge Area EMS has invited the church to be a sponsor for the Cannonball Run on July 8th.

i. We will donate \$100 to this run under the First Responder Sponsor category. Motion made by Diane, second by Vicki. Paid for by the Good Samaritan Fund.

e. Sound System funding. 500 dollars will come from the money market that was designated sound system and four hundred and ninety-five will come from the Borge fund. the new sound system is portable.

f. Linda retiring from decorating committee. Look for replacement? Or assign duties to circle or other group? How much decorating? We will start by looking for a volunteer.

g. Personnel changes, no changes for now.

h. Lifetouch – we had previously tabled this 2016 pending the **possibility of doing this during one of the church’s upcoming anniversary?** Schedule in 2018 for directory be ready for 2019? Lifetouch will be contacted to begin scheduling portraits and have it ready by January 1, 2019.

i. Thank-**you’s to write. Vicki will write them this month.**

j. Comment card received. No signature, but related to making the communion table easier to move with casters or slides. The Property Committee will solve this problem.

Reports:

5. President

6. Pastor

7. Worship & Music

8. Education/Youth

9. Property

10. Stewardship

11. Personnel

12. Mutual Ministry

13. ARK – Alive and Rockin at Koshkonong!

14. 125 th Anniversary Church Celebration Upper Church. Motion to accept reports by Brenda, Brian second.

No discussion, passed.

Adjourn motion made by Johnnie, second by Brenda. Passed, no discussion. Meeting adjourned 8:58.

Close with Lord’s Prayer

Next Meeting: June 15th, 2017 6:30 p.m.

Your partner in Christ,

Vicki Schuh