

EKLC August Council Minutes August 19, 2015

Meeting called to order by Sonja Christensen at 6:31 p.m.

Attendance: Pastor Brenda, Elizabeth Kaashagen, Sonja Christensen, Don Amundson, Hilary Terland, Brian Rosenthal, Roger Evenson, Sharon Jacobson, Brenda Schroeder
Visitor: Lane Taylor

Personal sharing prompt: What is your favorite ice cream flavor?

Pastor shared devotion

Discussed putting a policy in place before we have a request to perform same sex marriages in our church or on our church property.

- Pastor Brenda will look at options and what others are doing
- Pastor Brenda will talk with Bishop Mary
- Topic to be put on agenda for next council meeting

Motion to approve July 15, 2015, meeting minutes was made by Hilary Terland, seconded by Don Amundson. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

Over budget in the following areas:

- Fuel: Had more fills this year compared to same time last year. Summer fill rates cheaper
- Synod and Conference Assembly
- Custodial Supplies: Take funds for floor waxing expenses out of repairs and maintenance budget

Meeting on 8/26/15 at 6:30 to focus on the details of the financial reports and where the information comes from to gain a better understanding of the reports.

Motion to approve the July financial reports was made by Don Amundson, seconded by Brenda Schroeder. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Floor waxing bids to clean and wax all rooms and hallways that have tiles

- Sonja only received one bid will obtain two more

New Business:

Offering Envelopes:

How many do we want to order and who do we order them for? It was decided to:

- Order 350 boxes
- Give them to:
 - *Current members
 - *Communed but not given
 - *Given but not communed
 - *Inactive members not communed or given
- Total number of boxes to be disbursed is not to exceed 325. We want 25 available to give out as needed

Protecting Our Church:

- Discussed the possibility of having background checks done on people working with our youth. The Personnel Committee is to put together a recommendation and submit to council

Reports:

President's Report:

- No report

Pastor's Report:

- See attached report dated 8/19/15
- Working on obtaining members for Mutual Ministry team
- Needs 6 members has 1 yes and 1 maybe so far
- Mutual Ministry team will work with Pastor Brenda to help her in deciding where to spend her time
- Hard to do job in ¾ time
- Need to reschedule the council retreat. Decided to break it down into multiple smaller meetings and meet during the week.

Standing Committee Reports:

Worship & Music:

- See attached report dated 8/12/15

Education/Youth:

- See attached reports dated 7/19/15 & 8/12/15

Property:

- Items on the projects list are continuing to be added and completed
- Encourage people to look at what is on the list and help where they can
- Have someone come and investigate whether or not we have a mold issue in the decorations storage area/elevator in the Narthex and the area directly below in the basement: If we have an issue what is the cost for remediation

Stewardship:

- Continuing to make sure we have hosts for coffee hours each week.
- Next meeting is on Sunday, 8/30, after church

Personnel:

- Will meet on personnel issue

ARK:

- Busy planning Church Family Reunion event for 8/23/15

Motion to approve all standing reports was made by Roger Evenson, seconded by Hilary Terland. Motion carried.

Brenda Schroeder made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 pm, seconded by Brian Rosenthal. Motion carried.

Adjournment – Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Next meeting Wednesday, September 16th, at 6:30 p.m.