

MINUTES

Church Congregational Council

January 9, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Randy at 5:32. Council members present were: Erinn Bratley, Dan Bergschnieder, Rhonda Passolt, Pat Olson, Randy Neumann, Pastor Joel Bacon, Eric Neff, Sari Torstenson, Linda Beck, and Ron Kirchdoerfer. Absent were Tom Matthiae and Carol Knudson.

Pastor gave an Opening Prayer.

Ron made a Motion to accept the Agenda, seconded by Erinn.

Sari made a Motion to accept the Minutes, seconded by Erinn

Financial Report: Ron presented the December Financial Report and said he is feeling blessed to have the statement reflect such strong positive numbers. Dan made a Motion to accept the Financial Report, seconded by Linda.

New Council Member: Rhonda Passolt was welcomed to Council after accepting the position that Maureen vacated.

Pastor's Report: Vacation Days: January 24-30, February 4, and July 5-16. He said the Personnel Committee should be interviewing for a replacement for Becky Iverson, who is retiring soon. Pastor said Tanya is now compiling the bulletin and he is still doing the slides. Jane Wikum is still scheduling Assistant Ministers but the church office is checking with the Assistant Ministers before the schedule is completed. Ron made a Motion to accept the Pastor's Report, seconded by Eric.

Correspondence: Thank you notes from Patty VanLandschoot, Julie Jolivette, ALS and Luther Park.

Committee Report from the Directory Committee by Rhonda. The report is now at Advanced Printing and by the end of January, it should be ready to distribute. Each directory will have an envelope inside suggesting a \$10 donation. The directory will be for members and friends of First Lutheran. Each directory will have the address on it and will be disbursed like the giving statements are. The cost of the directory will be \$3000. Originally, the cost was quoted at approximately \$2700 but a better paper was chosen. This \$3000 will be paid from the General Fund. Ron made a Motion to accept this Report, seconded by Eric.

Old Business

Playground Taskforce Request for \$11,000 from the Bequest was revisited. After discussion Ron made a Motion to bequeath the Taskforce that amount of money, seconded by Eric.

Audio/Visual Taskforce was discussed and a suggestion was made to organize a fundraising committee for that project. There is about \$32,000 to be raised by spring.

New Business

Proposed Budget was presented and needs to be approved in order to progress to the Semi-Annual Meeting. Rhonda made a Motion to accept the Proposed Budget, seconded by Dan.

Meeting was adjourned by Linda, seconded by Rhonda at 6:25.