MINUTES Church Congregational Council April 10, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 by President Randy Neumann. Members present were: Ron Kirchdoerfer, Eric Neff, Pastor Joel, Randy Neumann, Tom Matthiae, Pat Olson, Rhonda Passolt, Sari Torstenson, Erinn Bratley, Dan Bergschnieder and Linda Beck. Absent was Carol Knudson.

Pastor gave the opening prayer..

The Audio/Video Committee report was added to the Agenda. Minutes of the February meeting and the April 10 Agenda were approved by Ron and seconded by Eric.

Financial Report

Ron stated that the church is very solvent but that the giving appeared to slow. It was decided to put a line in the bulletin each week describing the giving and weekly financial picture in relation to church budget. Line 1210 in the financial report will be renamed "Church Reserve". Motion was made by Eric and seconded by Tom to accept the Financial Report.

Pastor's Report

Pastor will be taking vacation during part of July. The Annual Meeting was set for July 23. Rhonda made a Motion to accept the report and was seconded by Linda.

Committee Reports

Property: Tom presented Minutes of the Property meeting. Some of the items in his report were: A security camera will be installed near the front door soon. The sidewalk along the Main Street side of the church property is being considered and a bid will be made by the masonry company that will be installing concrete for the Columbarium committee. There are two doors being replaced, the steel door in the Fellowship Hall and the double glass door that faces the school. The company, Market and Johnson has been asked to do the work but it probably won't be completed until late this year. The replacement door facing the school will be a wide glass door with side windows rather than a double door. All doors will be keyed

alike. The money to do this work will come from a prior insurance payment. New outside light fixtures are on order. There was some ice dam leakage but was soon stopped after Tom crawled up on the roof and salted it. Randy stated that the Playground committee has filed for permits and has arranged for volunteers to assist with groundwork when needed. Fundraising is ongoing.

Outreach: Pat stated that the May Outreach project will be to raise money for the Food Shelf since they can use money and buy a lot of food ie. \$1.00 can buy 7 pounds of food.

Audio/Video: Eric said the project is being held up because the projector is not here yet. The earliest we can expect the install now is the end of May. Electrical work was completed in the church in preparation for the install.

Rhonda made a Motion to accept the Committee Reports and was seconded by Linda.

New Business

Nomination Committee is being formed: Erinn, Rhonda, Ron and Randy from Council and two others will be chosen from the congregation. Tanya will put a request for volunteers in the Bulletin and First Word.

Julie Jolivette and Rhonda from Youth and Family Committee requested that the multiple legacy accounts for youth be merged. They decided they would meet with their committee to decide on their guidelines for spending and present that to Council for approval at another date. Eric made the Motion to accept this recommendation and Ron seconded.

The Long Range Plan will be assessed. It was requested that Committee Chairs look over their portion of the Report and get a report in to Kris Neumann who volunteered to make a progress report from the Long Range Plan that was done two years ago.

The Playground Committee asked to paint 4 square and hopscotch games on the parking lot surface near the playground. Permission was given by Property Committee.

Pat wanted permission from Council to move Thrivent Choice Dollars that Bill directed to First Lutheran to an account that can be assessed by Outreach. Erinn made a Motion to allow Tanya to do this and Rhonda seconded.

Rhonda suggested for the Good of the Order to cease publication of the Birthday and Anniversary page in the First Word since it is not complete. Many birthdays and anniversaries are not in our software and probably because of privacy laws will not be in the future.

Motion to adjourn was made by Linda, seconded by Sari at 6:27.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Olson, Secretary