

Council Minutes

October 12, 2025

Present: Pr. Joel Bacon, Eric Neff, Deb Meier, Bob Ubbelohde, Janet Rivard, Madeleine Bernard, Jeff Reiche, Andy Vergeront, Dan Bergschnieder, Paula Gaida

Not present: Ted Urban, Randy Neumann

1. Pastor Bacon started the meeting with a prayer at 11:50.
2. The agenda was presented and proposed for acceptance by Jeff and seconded by Dan. The motion was approved.
3. The Secretary's report from the August 11 meeting was motioned for acceptance by Jeff, seconded by Bob and passed.
4. Treasurer's report was presented by Andy and receipts/expenses reviewed. A motion to accept by Dan and seconded by Deb was passed.
5. Pastor's report was given. Pastor will be gone the 3rd and 4th weekends in November. Pastor Tom Jolivette will cover the 3rd weekend and the FLC Women will cover the 4th weekend. This plan was motioned for approval by Bob, seconded by Madeleine and approved by the council.
6. Operation Christmas Child at the Westlyan Church reached out to Pr. Bacon asking for our assistance with this. Pastor Bacon updated us on the way Samaritan's Purse has changed and is not as forthright with its financial reporting. Due to this, the council has asked Pastor to put together a letter to Westlyan to explain why we will not be participating this year. Once the letter is written, Pastor will get the letter to the council and we will vote on-line. This was proposed by Eric, seconded by Jeff and the proposal passed.

7. Committee Reports:

Children, Youth and Family report given by Jeff. The Terrific Tuesday's under Amanda Stevenson is anticipating 10-15 children to participate. The Middle School group are hoping for 13-14 children, and the High School are anticipating 16-18 children.

Crisis report given by Dan. His committee met and is putting together a proposed policy for any potential crisis that could impact the church. He will make this available to the council once this has been completed.

Music and Worship report given by Pastor Bacon. The committee met last week and all the music has been planned through the Christmas Eve service. The band has agreed to fill in for more services during Sarah's maternity leave.

Outreach (good works) Jeff report attached.

Property report on the Narthex shades was given by Deb. An estimated cost of \$4,000 was given by the Hayward Home Center. Deb will check with Tonya to determine where to access these funds.

It's been determined by Ray and Pastor that a drop down ladder is needed to better access the rafters for on-going projects. This could be placed in Room #7. Motion was made by Eric and seconded by Bob that they proceed with this. The motion passed.

Stewardship(financial health) was presented by Andy. Temple talks will begin In November. Andy is seeking volunteers to speak on why they are called to contribute. On-line giving is still being worked on and Sue Reinardy is looking into this.

Feasibility Study - Jeff has recruited 6 members to assist with this. Report attached.

Jeff made a motion and Deb seconded to approve committee reports. This passed.

New business

The finance committee under Andy will be meeting to compile worksheets for each ministry to assist with setting next year's budget.

Eric will send a copy of our church's constitution to each council member for review.

Next meeting will be on Monday, November 10 at 4:30 for the executive council and at 5 for the council. This was motioned by Eric, seconded by Dan and approved.

Dan motioned for the adjournment at 12:50, seconded by Andy and approved.