

Bethel Lutheran Church Council
Minutes, May 16 , 2023
Approved June 21, 2023

Attendees: Pastor Dave Hill. Randy Baskerville, Mark Heckman, Gary Helgemo, Sarah Manro , Mary Jo Mikulski, Jeff Reising, Linc Schneider, Harold Seamon. **Absent:** Steve Middleton, Jim Herr, Steve Horton, Ros Demaree **Staff:** Eddie Burks.

Pastor Dave Hill offered an opening prayer. Mark Heckman called the meeting to order at 6:48 p.m.

Minutes

Jim Herr moved, and Jeff Reising seconded, to approve the April 18, 2023, minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was submitted by Harold Seamon with the following comments:

Positive for the month of April, with an installment payment on taxes.

Lenten Offerings were designated for NALC disaster Relief and totaled \$2,796.25

Submitted paperwork to change the signature on Credit Card to Holly. Cards are now held by Holly, Carol for food bank and Laura which will be turned in.

Some items were overbudget: Property due to utilities, worship and music due to the Organ expense

A Cyber Security webinar is being planned.

Recommend that there be included in budget a line for rummage sale proceeds for the year, the annual \$41,000 annual Legacy share, and an item for cyber security and for legal services

Rummage Sale Preparations

A discussion of the proceeds for sale and will decide before June with a phone call vote. The times for the Rummage Sale are Thursday June 15, 3-7; Friday June 17, 9-1; Saturday June 18, 9-1. Still need help for all areas and lead up from June 1 through June 13 as well as the sale and the clean up.

Office Transition

Progressing and working on determining John's hours as well as the process of who can help with worship and the video. Need more volunteers for doing worship. Have also made decision on Document secure placement, Communication issues and discussion on that is ongoing.

LCS Update

LCS start date is August 14. Hope to have a presence at the Rummage Sale and perhaps help with childcare during the sale. A discussion with the Home Schoolers as to how the two can coordinate the movement through areas etc. Also, about including our preschool employees on their staff. There are communication issues and these need to be discussed as well as firming up the guidelines of coordination of areas.

Care Ministry

Pastor Doug is doing a good job of Personal Care, but we need another person on council to monitor this position and suggestions were made with Mary Jo Mikulski agreeing to ask.

Property Update

Marilyn's Place is pretty much moved, and a ramp was built as well as other smaller projects completed. There will be a blessing service for the Farmhouse at a future date. Opening is Thursday May 26. Signs will be placed and advertising with Bethel.

Corn and Tomato plants have been planted and we look forward to reaping the rewards.

Youth, Sunday School/ VBS

May 21-Recognition Day during Service of teachers and attendees

VBS this year will consist of a Back to School Bash on Aug 5 from 11-3 and will be carnival style, grill, bounce house and games.

Youth Oriented Service A discussion was held on how to create a more youth-oriented service for the 11:11 service.

Missions Update

The Reading Buddies sent 150 books and 150 stuffed animals to the Preschool, Washington Woods and thanks was given to those who contributed including WOW monetary gift.

Sent \$1300 to NALC disaster relief to aid with the San Bête 5 room Schoolhouse.

Also are looking to encourage both Pastors to take trip to San Bête as a mission trip or encourage others to go.

Congregational Meeting

A congregational meeting to be held Wednesday evening June 21 with refreshments included.

Plan to send representatives to the NALC Convocation and Mission Conference Aug 7 to 11 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Motion to Adjourn – Moved by Pastor Dave and second by Jeff Reising to Adjourn meeting at 9:33 p.m.

Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted by Mary Jo Mikulski

Temporary Recording Secretary