

10.19.17 Council Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Kim Stien at 5:40 P.M.

Members Present: Kim Stien, Sue Diel, Julie Poquette, Greg Granlund, Carol Rudd, Tara Johnson, Grace Johnson, Anthony Windau, Elecia Oleson, Pastor Lori, and Sally Gavin.

Pastor Lori gave an opening prayer and read a Reformation Scripture from John Chapter 8. A short discussion followed.

The Secretary's Report from September 21, 2017 was presented and a motion was made and seconded to accept the report as written.

Action Items:

- 1. Update of Transition:** The ERC Board wants to keep the process simple. Rick Olson, Greg Granlund and Tony Bourget met to discuss the process. A letter of Application will be sent to the board and then a check will be written. Due to unknown items about the transition, the ERC Board is interested in our by-laws etc. They also want congregation and financial information. Pastor Lori went to a meeting and found everything very positive. The ERC wants to update their by-laws before we apply to become 40% Capital Members. There will be a letter from Tony Bourget telling us what they want to know. Father Dan said that all questions should be ironed out before a letter is sent for application. It will be a process that will take time. Pastor Lori felt very good about everything. NLCM, the Synod, and our congregation will have to be in on the decision.
- 2. Next meeting scheduled for November 16 (Thursday) at 6:00.**
- 3. Annual Budget Meeting scheduled for December 17 – after church.**

Ministry Reports:

- 1. Outreach:** Community Table will be January 28, 2018. The next Beacon House will be November 8-10.

2. **Worship:** We talked about budget at our Ministry meeting.
3. **Stewardship:** Campus Harvest has a matching grant for what is given. \$1 = 1 extra pound of food. No decision was made. The Council decided the money will go to Campus Harvest – same as last year. In next year’s budget we would like to increase our giving to the Synod and Benevolence.
4. **Parish Life:** Parish Life is doing well. We have had 30 to 40 students each Wednesday night. November 19 – The Sunday before Thanksgiving – we would like to have a lunch after church for the students. Tickets will be available to purchase. Andrea is working on the details. More information to come.
5. **Education:** Families are interested in the story time during church. This will continue. Pastor Lori has been working on new members. Confirmation will be starting the end of October. This will be one Saturday per month.

Pastor’s Report: New members are Bob Weichman, Jodi Barnes, and Elyesa and Kwinn Barnes, Tony Alafouz & Krissa Schuldt. A motion was made and seconded to accept these people as new members. New member Sunday is October 29th. Confirmation will start on October 28, 2017. It is a 3 hour class once a month. The Reformation Service is Sunday October 29th at Immaculate Conception church. A mass choir will sing at 3:30 and the service is at 4:00 – followed by a social hour at St. John’s church. Pastor Lori is doing “Outside Ministry” on campus. 2 to 3 students stop by each day to talk with her about anything.

Financial Report: Tara presented her report.

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| 1. Income for September | \$10,123.63 |
| 2. Expenses for September | \$12,792.90 |
| 3. Deficit for September | \$ (2,669.27) |

Greg would like to increase benevolence and synod gift to \$2,200.00. No action at this time. To be discussed next month.

Pastor Lori – FYI:

1. This Sunday October 22nd is Parents Weekend and there will be a student led service.
2. Three people are working on the Mission Statement and the Welcome Statement.
3. Wednesday October 25th at 6:00 will be a joint- student led service with LSA and Newman students.

New Business: Already discussed

Old Business: None

Pastor Lori closed with prayer, and the meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Respectively submitted,

Sally Gavin, Secretary

Next Council Meeting is at 6:00 P.M. Thursday November 16th.