

Congregational Council Meeting Minutes April 27th, 2010

Attendance:

Name	Present	Not Present
Peter Geisendorfer-Lindgren	X	
Karen Geisendorfer-Lindgren	X	
Phil Dell	X	
David Lippitt		X
Todd Buegler	X	
Laura Dirks		X
Al Albrecht	X	
Kris Bjorke		X
Tom Brady		X
Lisa Toms	X	
Lisa Gedker	X	
Tim Jenneke	X	
John Hanson	X	
Jason McCarty	X	
Jennifer Baldwin		X
Roger Seim	X	
Katrina Bahen	X	

Roger Seim called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Agenda was approved

Katrina offered a devotion about anxiety worry and prayer. Philippians 4:6

Council Action:

- APPROVE MINUTES
 - Minutes of the March 30th, 2010 Congregational Council Meeting were reviewed for accuracy.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Jason McCarty, SECONDED BY Al Albrecht TO APPROVE THE March 30th, 2010 CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES. MOTION PASSED.

- OFFERING COLLECTION SIGNUP
 - Passed around.
- FINANCIAL REPORT
 - New report shows March '09 as well as '10
 - You can see we have increased income and expenditures.

**Nominating Committee Report:**

- Katrina agreed to stay on and we have 3 new individuals who have agreed to serve. Barb Lindberg, Tom Campbell, Kent Mainquist.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Al Albrecht, SECONDED BY JASON McCarty TO APPROVE THE 4 ABOVE MENTIONED INDIVIDUALS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE CONGREGATION AS COUNCIL CANDIDATES.

Governance Policy Monitoring (LEADERSHIP):

- Two major purposes/goals are to create a culture of leadership and to create leaders.
- We have many current programs that work to accomplish these goals.
- Want to continue to encourage leadership in the community
- Want to coordinate this policy with Faith formation.
- We may want to look at what as a council we want to do as far as leadership amongst ourselves.
 - Talked about having new council member training and “Is there a way that we can get new council members up to speed quicker?”

Governance Policy Monitoring (FAITH FORMATION):

- Todd reviewed the document as presented
- We are “doing” a lot of this right now.
- We need to coordinate with leadership
- We need to be intentional about Faith Formation
- Need to create a faith formation vision.

ELCA Statement (post release comments):

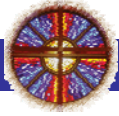
- We received 2 emails one in favor and one against the statement.
- Peter received lots of positive comments and one family that said they were leaving the church.
- Sending the statement to individuals who had expressed concern worked well.
- Glad that we took the time to be deliberate about it instead of declaring something right away. Those congregations that declared something early on are still dealing with it.
- Karen has heard many positive comments about how the process was handled.
- We may pass the statement along to Pretty Good Lutheran and to the synod/ELCA.
- Karen has shared Peter’s sermon link with some congregations who are struggling.

20/20 Vision (post sermon observations):

- We need to have a communication strategy going forward that gets people to connect to and remember the ends policy.
- 2020 vision went over well.

Staff/Ministry Updates:

- Phil



- Great trip to Africa. Learned a lot. Still processing things. Struck by overwhelming poverty.
- The school we supported is going well. Chickens and successful. FMSC food was arriving.
- International missions need to be specific project based, because you are not going to change culture. You just have to do your best.
- Met some fascinating people.
- Focused on ends policies now.
- Todd
 - Hired Heather Hjelmstad is now hired as part of the Inclusion ministry program.
- Peter
 - Moving June council meeting to June 22nd.
 - Dave McCarty looking to do a part time internship with us. One of his focuses would be on missions.
 - Easter biggest one day number of people 6,508.
 - We had four funerals in four days
- David
 - With the Care Ministers
- Karen
 - We are having a big adult ministry mission meeting tomorrow night. Looking at getting some more missions going close to home.
 - Dr. Sundberg from the Seminary is presenting tomorrow.
 - Big garage sale this weekend to support missions.

Recognize council members:

- Katrina (Renewing)
- Al, Jennifer, Roger (Outgoing)
 - Peter thanked all of them for their service and efforts.

Adjournment

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Al Albrecht, SECONDED BY John Hanson TO ADJOURN THE April 27th, 2010 CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING. MOTION PASSED. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:25.

Closed with Lord's Prayer.

Next Congregational Meeting Sunday May 2nd at 11:00.

Next Council Meeting May 25, 2010. 7:00. Devotions Kris BJORKE
Governance Policy Monitoring: Worship
June: Global Governance Policy Review

Respectfully submitted, Tim Jenneke ☺