



**VISION COUNCIL
October 25, 2016
7:00 pm, Rec Room
Meeting Minutes**

Present: Terry Kemmer, Shawn Nygaard, Catie Herman, Sue Schaffer, Jessica Burhans, Ted Heisserer, Carrie Johnston, Chris Malecka, Nathan Mork, LeAnn Mouw, Pastor John Simonson, Susie Reitmeier, Pastor Dave Peterson.

Opening Prayer

- 1) Call meeting to order – Terry Kemmer
Terry welcomed everyone.
- 2) Devotions – Pastor John
- 3) Consent Agenda / Correspondence / Additions to Agenda
 - a. No additions to agenda
- 4) Approval of October 2016 Minutes
 - a. Shawn moved to approve the minutes as written. Chris seconded. All approved.
- 5) Officer Reports:
 - a. Financial ... Treasurer's – Sue reviewed the Treasurer's Report.
 - i. It was noted that there is a negative balance of \$19,501.82 in the general fund cash balance. Susie said this is not uncommon for this time of year. Two letters are going out in the next two weeks and a notice in the bulletin to ask for continued giving.
 - ii. Ted moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Shawn seconded. All approved.
- 6) Team Reports
 - a. Vision 2020 – Terry reported on the informational meeting held this past Sunday, October 23rd. It was received very well. There were approximately 25 people in attendance with 10 people committing to join the Vision 2020 team. Vision 2020 is FLC's strategic planning team. A target date of the annual meeting in May 2017 to have the strategic plan set for 2017-2020. It will be based on 5 pillars.
 - b. Anniversary Gift – Carrie reported that team would be meeting next Monday to review applications. They are still accepting applications until all the funds are gone. There are seven applications so far.
- 7) Unfinished Business:
 - a. Status of call process – Terry reported that minutes of the special congregational meeting was sent to the Synod office and then sent to Rachel. Pastor Dave and Terry met informally with Rachel this past week. November 30th and December 4th are the dates for Rachel's installation. The Assistant Bishop here on December 4th at both services for the installation.

- b. Mortgage Burning – a letter was presented and reviewed by the VC that will be going out to the congregation informing them of the mortgage burning and closing of the very successful capital campaign. A celebration will be held on November 13th at 10 am at the Adult Forum, along with a short recognition program at all worship services.
- c. Church Constitution Update – there are changes coming down from the national office as to what it means/how it recognizes rostered staff at church. It is suggested that it be presented for approval at the annual meeting. Pastor John and Terry will work on this.
- d.

8) New Business

- a. Visional Think Abouts – discussion by VC.
- b. Potluck will be held on December 4th to welcome and congratulate Pastor Rachel on her new role with FLC.
- c. Cake & coffee reception will be held during Fellowship Time on November 20th to say thank you to Beth Gailfus on her longtime work with FLC Preschool.
- d. Thanksgiving Offering – discussion was held on where to donate the Thanksgiving Offering funds to. It was suggested to donate them to the Agape Fund & Becker County Food Pantry. Carrie moved to approve. Jessica seconded. All approved.

9) Recognition of blessings to our church family. Several people and groups were mentioned to receive recognition and thanks.