



VISION COUNCIL
08.23.22
5:30 pm
Meeting Minutes

Present: Nathan Olson, Paul Haarstick, DeAnne Udby, Pastor Lauryl Ivers, Pastor Joe Skogmo, Carla Solem, Scott Sonstegard, Gail Colby, Tom Neuenfeldt, Tanner Duncan, Erin Erickson, Todd Gaard

Opening prayer:

Lord, Source of All Our Strength, support each of us in this meeting that is now beginning. Grant us the courage to be open to each other and to not be fearful of the new and different. Strengthen us with a willingness to risk for the sake of Your Kingdom. It is our wish, Lord and God, that the true business of this meeting be our spiritual transformation and not simply the accomplishment of tasks and projects. We ask this of You as we now begin, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Devotions – Gail C.

Call meeting to order – Nathan O.

Consent Agenda/Correspondence/Additions to Agenda –

- (1) Approval of July 26, 2022 Meeting Minutes; Motion to approve Todd, Seconded by Tanner. All approved.
- (2) Staff Reports: Pastor Joe Skogmo, Pastor Lauryl Ivers, Business Manager Paul Haarstick
 - a. Positive remarks given to Paul Haarstick in his first month at FLC by Pastor Joe.
- (3) Additions to the Agenda
 - a. Parking Lot maintenance

Team Reports –

- (1) Buildings & Grounds
 - a. Building & Grounds committee agreed to not replace the cooling tower system and focus on the heat pump.
 - b. Jeff Murphy has been contacting asphalt companies for a quote for the parking lot. No information available at the time of the meeting.
 - i. Scott S. will contact Tom Klyve with concerns of the parking lot; large holes to be fixed, pads under the recycling bins, striping of the asphalt.
 - c. Financing options
 - i. Options of Midwest Bank vs Mission Investment Fund (MIF) discussed.
 - d. Energy audit requested by Scott S. Paul H. contacted energy company who will be at the church on Friday to follow up.
- (2) Personnel
- (3) Stewardship
- (4) Social Justice/Creation Care

- a. High traffic this summer for people in need. Staff are doing all they can to help connect people with resources needed.

Unfinished Business

(1) Congregational Audit

- a. Angie Sonstegard reviewed the ELCA audit recommendations.
 - i. Good internal procedures for collection of the money.
 - ii. Monthly compilation report and annual meeting financial report does not counts as an annual audit.
 - iii. Synod recommends every 3 year audit.
 - iv. Recommendation: Forgo paying an outside company to complete monthly compilation reporting and have audit completed at least every 3 years.

New Business:

(1) Stewardship Committee member approval

- a. Becky Arneson- Readal – term through June 2025
- b. Ardys Horner – term through June 2023
 - i. Motion to approve above committee members by Erin E. Seconded by Carla S. All approved.

(2) Laker Prep update and contract renewal

- a. Contract is up for renewal. Laker Prep has applied for non-profit status. Once approved, this contract will be rescinded.
 - i. Motion to approval extension of the contract Tom N. Seconded by Gail C. All approved.

(3) Community Mission Opportunity for FLC

- a. Richwood Lutheran Church has ~12 members. The Bishop asked FLC to partner with this rural church as it transitions. Contract between Richwood Lutheran Church and FLC will be created to be reviewed at the next Vision Council meeting. Pastor Lauryl is considering preaching and serving communion on the 1st Sunday of the month.
 - i. Motion made by Scott S. Seconded by Erin E. All approved.
 - ➔ Action taken after the VC meeting.
 - Email approval to approve contract with Richwood Lutheran Church.
 - Carla S. motioned to approve, Todd G. seconded. All in favor.

Financial/Treasurer's Report: Susie/Tom

1. Tom reviewed the Treasurers Report for July 2022.
2. July's income was \$50,963.27 which is (\$3,451.73) under the income budget. July's expenses were \$54,066.95 which is \$2,468.16 over the expense budget. The YTD cash fund balance is \$101,188.44. We ended the month with a grand total cash balance of \$476,403.89.
 - a. Motion to approve treasurer's report by Scott S. and seconded by Tanner D. All in favor.

Recognition of blessings in our church family

- Cindy Broflodt and Alissa Mork – Leaders of Wednesday Night Oasis
- Adrienne Buboltz – special music
- Kari Stattelman – vital member of Vison Council for many years
- Angie Sonstegard – audit review
- Strategic Planning committee and Carla S for complying the spreadsheet

Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn by Scott S at 1912. Seconded by Tom N. All in favor.

Upcoming Dates:

Executive Leadership: Virtually

Vision Council: 09/27/22

Devotions/Dinner: Tom N.