



First
Lutheran
Church

Opening doors to life in Christ



VISION COUNCIL
10.26.21
5:30 pm
Meeting Minutes

Present: Steve Schantzen, Nathan Olson, Tanner Duncan, Susie Reitmeier, DeAnne Udby, Carla Solem, Pastor Lauryl Ivers, Kari Stattelmann, Chris Malecka.

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 – Steve S.

Call meeting to order – Steve S.

Consent Agenda/Correspondence/Additions to Agenda –

1. Approval of September 28, 2021 Meeting Minutes; Motion to approve Tanner D, Seconded by Kari S. All approved.
2. Staff Reports: Pastor Joe Skogmo, Pastor Lauryl Ivers, Business Manager Susie Reitmeier
3. Additions to the Agenda – none.

Financial / Treasurer's Report –

1. Susie R. reviewed the tentative Treasurers Report for September 2021 as Susie hasn't received the September books from the CPA yet.
2. Completed September financial reports emailed on 10/27/21. September's income was \$45,760.99. which is (\$2,922.34) under the income budget. September expenses were \$57,664.21 which is (\$3,921.28) under the expense budget. YTD's income was \$140,241.73 which is \$5,191.74 over the income budget. YTD's expenses were \$155,749.30 which is (\$15,857.17) under the expense budget. The YTD cash fund balance is \$85,899.90. We ended the month with a grand total cash balance of \$314,299.71.
 - a. Motion to approve treasurer's report by Nathan O. and seconded by Chris M. All in favor.

Team Reports –

- (1) Personnel – see report.
- (2) Building & Grounds – will be discussing fixing the front steps in addition to prioritizing other projects.
- (3) Stewardship – see report.
- (4) Restart – met 10/18/21. Masks were mandated. Next meeting 11/01/21 to review situation and decide if any changes need to be made.

(5) Social Justice/Creation Care – Adult Forum on 11/21/21.

Unfinished Business

(1) Laker Prep update – As of 11/02/21, Laker Prep will resume occupancy at FLC.

(2) Dedicated Accounts Project

- a. Background of dedicated accounts and mission investment fund provided.
Explanation of General Fund, Dedicated Account, and Mission Investment Fund given by Susie. Options proposed by Susie in the financial report reviewed.

New Business:

(1) Future vision of FLC/Buildings & Grounds focus

- a. FLC Vision Council will be focusing on where we want our church to be in the future. We are going to be intentional and not just go through the motions to say it was completed.

(2) Homeless Solutions/Emergency Homeless Shelter

- a. Permission requested for our church to be an emergency overnight shelter if another shelter is not located for people during the cold winter months.
- b. MacKenzie has applied for 2 grants to assist with temporary housing at the Budget Host. Crisis Center is full and has no openings available.
- c. Last year, FLC sheltered 4 households for 6 days using the library and conference room. Homeless Solutions provide overnight staffing.
- d. Motion by Tanner D to approve request to open FLC as an emergency shelter on an emergency basis. Nathan O. seconded. All in favor.

Recognition of blessings in our church family

Emergency shelter volunteers

Tom Klyve, Terry & Sandy Kemmer, and MacKenzie Hamm were nominated for Splash awards

Pastor Joe's leadership and bringing in young families to the church

Pastor Lauryl's compassion and kindness

Meeting Adjourned

Nathan O. motioned to adjourn; Seconded by Chris M.

Meeting Time: 1740-1914

Upcoming Dates:

Executive Leadership: 11/18/21

Vision Council: TBA

- Devotions and Dinner: Susie