

# St. Paul's Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Meeting Minutes

DATE: February 23<sup>rd</sup> 2009 – 6:45pm

## Present:

Chris Coffey, Pastor Hedin, Kathy Silverman, Dave Pepler, Gary Foti, Gary Schwartzbauer, Mike Patchen, Scott Conderman, Mike Jordan, Mara Berndt, and Grey Conderman (LYO representative)

Next meeting: March 16<sup>th</sup> 2008 – 6:45pm



## I. Beginning Business

- Introduction – Pastor Hedin led the devotional reading from Psalm 40. A quorum was declared and the minutes from December's meeting were approved as written and the minutes from January's annual meeting were approved with a few small edits.

## II. New Year Council Business

- Council Overview – Pastor reviewed the Council Information Sheet. A good point he brought up was that we are a "Council", not a committee. Outside groups that come to council meetings for approval of something should not present lists of information and ask us to "choose" or "debate"... we need to be able to say yes or no and "this is why".
- Committee Reports – Council discussed the level of detail and frequency that committees need to report to Council. A **MOTION** was called for written reports be due from committees in April and October to be supplied at the Church Council meeting and to monitor as needed for the remainder of the year was **APPROVED**.
- Review of Robert's Rules of Order and Council Nominations/Elections
  - PRESIDENT – Bill Wallace nominated **Mike Patchen** for President and was voted in unanimously.
  - VICE PRESIDENT/Liaison to Mutual Ministries – Gary Schwartzbauer nominated **Mara Berndt** for VICE President and was voted in unanimously.
  - TREASURER – Mara Berndt nominated **Dave Pepler** for Treasurer and was voted in unanimously.
  - FINANCIAL SECRETARY – Kathy Silverman nominated **Bill Wallace** for Financial Secretary and was voted in unanimously.
  - RECORDING SECRETARY – Mara Berndt nominated **Scott Conderman** for Recording Secretary and was voted in unanimously.
- Church Group Representation – the following Council Members agreed to represent each of the Church Groups below:
  - Education – **Scott Conderman**, Property and Maintenance – **Gary Schwartzbauer**, Youth – **LYO group**, Stewardship – **Mike Jordan**, Fellowship – **Gary Foti**, Membership – **Ron Uhlig**, Finance – **Bill Wallace**, Worship & Music – **Kathy Silverman**, Mutual Ministry – **Mara Berndt**

## III. Reports & Action Plan review (separate document)

- Action Plan Review – The Annual Action Items were reviewed and the date for reviewing the Yellow Page advertisement was changed to May each year. Since none of the officers changed this year we will not need to change access to bank accounts. Kathy Silverman changed her email address.
- Financial Report – While it is too early in the financial year to speculate on long term results, at this point we seem to be moving along as predicted with income and expenditures. We still owe \$36K to the Heritage Capital Fund and will transfer funds when we are able later on.
- Pastor's Report – Thank you to Elizabeth Conderman and the LYO members who participated in the 30 Hour Famine! Council should be prepared to volunteer for council roles and responsibilities and have all reports in folders the Sunday before Council Meetings.
- Office Report – Many members are now volunteering to be Lectors, Lay Assistants, and assist with Communion. Janet suggests 3 different people for each service should participate in each service in these roles. It was suggested that a member from the LYO should assist each service as well.

## IV. Old Business - Updates

- "8 is Great!" – These fellowship ideas are popping up all over and we are encouraged to participate and talk up each event.
- Laptop Projector – Ron Uhlig is looking into a couple possible models for Council to consider.
- Summer Retreat – Need to review and consider dates and venues.

## V. New Business

- Congregational Questionnaire – Council began a review of the questionnaire data which is starting to come in. Much more data is needed before making any kind of analysis.