

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Meeting Minutes

DATE: April 21st 2008 – 6:45pm

Present:

Gary Foti, Dave Pepler, Bill Wallace, Pastor Hedin, Sue Comer, Gary Schwartzbauer, Mike Patchen, Scott Conderman

Next meeting: May 19th 2008 – 6:45pm



I. **Beginning Business**

Introduction – The Devotional was led by Pastor Hedin as we shared how “life goes on while we make other plans”. A quorum was declared and the minutes from March’s meeting were approved as written.

II. **Reports & Action Plan review (separate document)**

Action Plan Review – The brochure for the Endowment Fund Charter was reviewed and approved for distribution. A call will be made to acquire the correct cabinet for the AED. Dates for Thrivent financial seminars are firm for June and dates for the fall are under review. Property and Maintenance will revive the outline for developing a Reserve Fund in the budget for large routine and emergency maintenance projects.

Financial Report – We are well on our way to paying down a good portion of the principal on the mortgage. Income is over budget and expenses are under budget. The utility budget numbers seem to be off a bit and will be reviewed and corrected if necessary. The deficit budget appears to be shrinking steadily; we will have to wait to see what the end of the year brings. The bulletin will now reflect the income and expenditures without the mortgage payments and incomes.

Pastor’s Report – Easter was greatly attended – he asked “How can we get more of our regular members to attend more regularly?” versus always looking for new members. On May 4th we will need Council members to assist in reading and presenting Moments for Mission, etc. We wish we had a digital projector ☺

Office Report – Janet asks that we all take a look to see if we have past copies of staff job descriptions. We need to look for alternative solutions for finding volunteers to pick/clean up after the second service a bit more.

III. **Old Business - Updates**

Synod Assembly Delegates – We are still looking for volunteers to attend the Assembly.

Kitchen Update – A big Thank You to Peg Pepler and Mara Berndt for their hard work in completing the renovations to the downstairs kitchen – it looks fabulous!! Pastor encourages us to find ways to incorporate this new space into all of our future functions.

Likes/wishes Review – **Property and Maintenance**

- Council reviewed items listed and have addressed or forwarded concerns to the appropriate groups and investigated items that were within their control. The discussion continued as to the need for a line-item in the budget for a Reserve Fund.

IV. **New Business**

Endowment Fund Charter – Council reviewed the Charter as well as the brochure developed. Council gave the OK to begin distribution the brochure to the congregation. The Finance Committee will be finalizing the language of the Charter for Council for their approval next meeting.