

Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, January 22, 2018

Attendance: Pastor Paul Krupinski, Cynthia Boots, Aaron Koerth, Cindie Nelson, Pam Slagh, David Stracke, Brad Waara, Josh Wellman

Not in attendance: Lynda Cornwell, Erica Coombs

Previous Meeting Council Minutes

Corrections. Youth Team: KOOL Kids attended a bowling event organized by the Veine family.

Motion to approve made by Cindie Nelson

Motion seconded by Aaron Koerth

Treasurer's Report

Questions, Comments.

Motion to accept made by Brad Waara

Motion seconded by Cynthia Boot

Proposed Budget for 2018. 2017 budget was set up to have a \$9000 deficit; actually came in at a \$6000 deficit. We did add a slight increase in the regular offering. Or, special fundraising events could be organized. Or, special 5th Sunday giving project. Or have the treasurer report on special costs for cost-sharing. Or, have a half-year budget update to adjust for shortages to be picked up by members. Suggest on extra giving envelope to cover the subscription costs for "The Lutheran" or request the cost to be covered in an article. Seems like we could reduce the costs in the worship budget.

Perhaps we can adjust the costs for lower utility costs with the installation of the new furnace. Suggest reduction of \$500 from \$8200 to \$7700.

Pastor has offered to cut back his salary by \$12,000, or we need to ask for people to reconsider their contribution. Council did not take the offer to reduce his salary. It was agreed that pastor does not need to be in the building three days a week, but the reporting of office hours needs to be updated in the bulletin and newsletter if he decides to reduce office hours.

Synodical Benevolence is still \$12,500, so should the amount be adjusted based on new income estimate: \$12,000.

Motion to approve the new spending plan at \$2000 deficit. Cindie Nelson made the motion, and Adam Koerth seconded the motion. Motion passed by acclamation.

New Business

Pastor's Report

Correspondence received

A letter of thanks from Family Promise of Grand Rapids to thank members of toys for donation of Christmas toys.

Correspondence sent

1. Copy of letter sent to confirmands for dates of confirmation classes in 2018 and to propose confirmation service on Pentecost Sunday. There are five confirmands.
2. Copy of letter sent to people who attended the late service on Christmas Eve which was canceled due to weather.

Suggest an update for members' telephone numbers.

Team Reports

Faith in Action: Souper Bowl Sunday on February 4th

Fellowship. Cabin Fever talent show in early March.

Mission Support

Mutual Ministry

Worship.

Youth. Pizza and a movie or Valentine's Day craft.

Kool Kids Ministry.

Building and Grounds.

Education.

Suggestion. Draw names for new council members if there are more names than slots.

Motion to adjourn made by

Seconded by

Passed by acclamation

Next Meeting February 12, 2018.

Benediction by pastor in closing.