Church Council Minutes

Sunday, January 6, 2019 - 4:30 pm

Meeting Location:	Harding Home	

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- 1. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Troy Hight at 5:15 PM. Members present were Pastor Stephan Sandness, Laura Campbell, Michelle Keil, Cindy Koppinger, Deb Kimbell, Dillon Haug, Gary Dettman, Lonnie Haugland, Mark Harding and Jim Van't Land.
- 2. The agenda was approved with a motion by Cindy Koppinger and a second by Deb Kimbell. The motion carried.
- 3. December Council Meeting Minutes were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Michelle Keil and a second by Cindy Koppinger. The motion carried.
- 4. Pastor Stephan welcomed Mark Harding as our new Council Treasurer, and expressed our thanks to Lonnie Haugland for serving as the interim Treasurer. Mark Harding shared the December Treasurer's report, noting that giving exceeded expenses by approximately \$21,700 for the month and approximately \$18,600 year-to-date. It was noted that the overage included a significant individual gift of \$15,000 to the general fund, plus an additional \$5000 gift to the Camp Scholarship Dedicated Account. It was agreed to review the final 2018 year-end report in February as not all checks may have yet cleared the bank account. The discussion also included the idea of moving all overage from the general account to the Repair & Replace Dedicated Account, but no action taken at this time. The Treasurer's report was approved with a motion by Deb Kimbell and a second by Michelle Keil. The motion carried.

5. Staff Reports

- a. Laura Campbell shared that "all is well" Christmas celebrations and ministry outreaches were meaningful and effective. She also noted that there are open dates for Ministries to host Wednesday evening meals.
- b. Pastor Stephan Sandness reiterated that Christmas Eve and Wednesday Advent services were well attended, and went well. Pastor Stephan noted that he will be absent the next 2 Sundays, and that the Thrivent Personal Finance Workshops are all scheduled for Wednesday evenings in February. He thanked all the Council Members for their service, and also thanked the Members' spouses for their support of Council Members.

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- 6. Committee Updates
 - a. Communication Michelle Keil noted that the website design has been finalized, and that the developers are moving forward with the new design.
 - b. Mission Team Cindy Koppinger shared that planning for the Martin Luther King Jr. Chili Feed is complete; it will be held on January 21 from 5-7 PM at the Methodist Church.
- 7. The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Cindy Koppinger and a second by Michelle Keil. Motion approved, and meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM with prayer, followed by a potluck meal. The Council expresses its appreciation to Mark and Shirley Harding for hosting the meeting and the meal.

Respectfully submitted, Jim Van't Land