

**Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church
Waconia, Minnesota
Congregational Meeting Minutes
May 22, 2011 9:00 a.m.**

Mission: To learn, serve and share the Gospel by growing in our relationship with Jesus Christ, one another and those beyond our walls.

Vision: We will fulfill our mission through:

- *Unyielding faith in Jesus Christ*
- *Strong ministries that engage our members*
- *Active participation in our church and greater community*

Call to Order: The Congregational Meeting on May 22, 2011 was called to order by Mike Haugsby, Council President, at the end of the 8:00 worship service.

Opening Prayer: Pastor Dale opened the meeting with a reading from Colossians Chapter 3 and then led us in an opening prayer.

Approval of Congregational Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2011:

Mike Haugsby, President, began the meeting by asking for a motion to approve the minutes from our last Congregational meeting held on January 24, 2011

The motion to approve the Congregational meeting minutes of Jan 24, 2011 was made by Bruce Tollefson. 2nd motion - Genie Dueber. All approved. Motion carried.

Long Range Plan:

Mike Haugsby - gave a brief update on the Long Range Plan.

The Long Range Plan is something very important for everyone to keep in the front of their mind, which Council has done over the past year. Faith has the alignment of our Staff and our Ministries to support the Long Range Plan. The Staff and Council have tried to stay true to the Mission statement and the Long Range Plan to follow through with what we have planned. We have a list of the "wins" over the past two and a half years which is shown in the handout given today. This congregation has done a lot to move Faith Lutheran forward in carrying forth the strategies in the Long Range Plan. Having said this, there is more work to do. Dan Watts and Lisa Moe, who helped create the Long Range Plan, will meet again with our new Council to re-evaluate it and make sure this is still the right Mission and Vision Statement and Long Range Plan for what our congregation has become and what we want to be in the years ahead.

New Council Member Election:

Pastor Dale - I'd like to give a big thanks to our Church Council. Those who will be continuing are Paula Leske, Jay Roddy, Angela Rud, Nikki Wedge, Paul Thom and Chuck Dueber.

We have four members that are going off Council this year. Tom Kurtz has actually served 4 years on the Building and Maintenance Ministry. Thanks to all of you who have served. It's been an interesting 3 - 4 years with ups and downs, but with the Long Range Plan and a solid council we will move forward well.

Chuck Dueber - we will now hold the election of our new Council members. The process has been going on for months. We've had lots of conversations with a number of potential candidates. We have found 4 very capable people. Rachel Hjelsand, Jack Shaw, Scott Johnson and Tom Pierson. As mentioned before, there is a bio sheet with a paragraph from each candidate in the bulletin.

Liz Heagle made the motion to approve the new Council members as presented to the Congregation. 2nd - motion, Christine Roehler.

Chuck Dueber then asked for any other nominations from the floor. None were given.

All approved. The motion to approve the newly elected Council Members was carried.

Mike Haugsby - This is my final and official act and this is great. I'm so excited for this congregation and I can't imagine a better Council to lead this church. We have gone through trials but I really feel we are in a good spot. Our giving is up and our spending is down. We are in a great position to move forward.

Chuck Dueber made the motion to adjourn the meeting. 2nd motion - Pastor Dale. All approve. Meeting adjourned at 9:10.

Respectfully submitted by Marcia Willmsen, Secretary.