

Faith Lutheran Church
Council Meeting
Tuesday, April 16, 2024 – 6:30 pm
Minutes

Mission: To learn, serve and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Vision: To be a dynamic, energized worshipping community where all are growing in our relationship with Jesus Christ, one another and those beyond our walls.

Inclusive Grace. Contagious Love.

2024 Goals

- Deepen engagement with Waconia, surrounding communities, and ministry partners in fellowship and service.
- Create and develop a multi-use strategy for the FELC building and properties.
- Explore and plan for a capital campaign to address FELC debt and other needs beginning in 2025.

Council Members	Present	Absent
Marcia Bening		x
Jesse Bergstrom	x	
Chuck Bies	x	
Travis Dreier	x	
Bill Goergen	x	
Jessica Hartmann	x	
Dave Horstmann		x
Karin Rood	x	
Linda Stroschein	x	
Scott Texley	x	
Sarah Wilson	x	
Solomon Kopel		x
Pastor Katie Escalante	x	
Pastor Adam White	x	

The meeting was called to order by Jessica Hartmann @ 6:30

- **Meeting Opening**
 - Devotions - Jesse Bergstrom
 - Daniel 6:6-10 - be brave - do what is right even though there may be consequences
 - Reading of the Faith Mission & Vision Statement - Jesse Bergstrom
 - Ministry Stories & Watchwords – Council Members
 - Confirmation is its own ministry, Bill’s wife (Joan) went to the state capital for Moms In Action - common sense gun laws - out of character for Joan.

- **Standing Monthly Reports**
 - **Get to Know the Staff** – Carl Bredburg
 - Custodian extraordinaire - worked at Faith for about 14 year
 - **Get to Know the Ministries** - Technology & Communications -
 - Need a computer for Shane, set up a dedicated number for Expressions of care, still need help burning a DVD
 - **Pastor's Report** -
 - Pastor Adam - Bode Gray's event - raised money for sponsors to go to National Youth gathering, Lent, Holy Week, Easter, Confirmation
First week of Lent was hard/intense - pivoted away from Holden, lots of feedback, staff handled it well, listened, received, held space for each other, and handled it well. Sunrise service moved inside - still hoping to get it outside. Feedback at the end of lent - was thanks for changing it up - tired of Holden.
Synod assembly - full roster going to meeting.
 - Pastor Katie -,
 - Shared a letter, Glow retreat, Expressions of care, Easter worship, contributor for devotions
 - Conference assembly - church wide conference in Phoenix, Mathais is going.
 - **Secretary Report** – Approve February 2024 Council Minutes
 - Motion to approve made by Jesse, second by Chuck, motion passed
 - **Treasurer's Report** – Acceptance of February & March 2024 Treasurer's reports
 - Motion to approve made by Jesse, second by Linda, motion passed
- **Existing Business**
 - Update from Properties on research into Roof/Shingles
 - Properties recommendation - Royal Roofing is going to inspect the roof - free of charge - and will present findings.
 - Next steps on 2024 Goals
 - Property Multi-Use Workgroup - committee is formed - meeting set up for May 22nd
 - Stewardship - how can we use what we currently have better & caring for what we entrusted
 - Council Terms/Nominating Process
 - Bill, Marcia and Travis rolling off
 - Chuck staying for at least one more year
 - Youth position??
 - Process standpoint - Bill will be support the point person

- Invite people - Leah Gilbert (me), Tom Schauer (Jesse), Angie or Chip Ott (Pastor Adam) , Eric Chinnoock, Justin DeRock (Travis), Craig Antolick (Pastor Adam)
 - Next Steps - get Bill - names (first & last) and phone #'s of people
 - Employee Handbook - Bill and Pastor Adam to review edits - bring to next council meeting to approve
- **New Business**
 - Council Training on Phishing - never will ask for gift cards, never will ask for money without being in contact/relationship with you, check the email address. Send it back to Pastors
 - Walk on Waconia - May 18th - volunteers for rest stop -
 - Love Inc -(Chuck, Deanna Rud, Pastor Adam) ministry cleaning/kitchen products for people in need - help center - people call with needs and send out requests - September kick off (Inventory Manager, Delivery)
 - Motion to approve Jesse, Second by Karin - motion passed - to support this ministry
 - Set date for May Congregational Meeting - June 2nd
- **Closing – Personal Prayer – Jesse**
- **Meeting adjourned – 8:24 pm**
- Respectfully submitted - Sarah Wilson, Secretary