

Minutes of the January 9, 2018 Church Council Meeting

Present: Cathy Hipke, Ronda Pedersen, Debbie Lemery, Mike Bellisle, Debbie Villas, Randy Demeuse, Adam Starzynski, Jim Zobel, Darrell Eland, Kathy Bero, Dave Anderson, Pastor Mark Laatsch

Excused: Gary Gustafson, Kyle Anderson

Present to Report: Patti Treptow, Judy Raygo

President Debbie Villas called the meeting to order.

The council members moved to the narthex to meet with Randy Klema and the Property Committee so that Mr. Klema could present the colors chosen by the committee and explain how they would be positioned in the different architectural features of the narthex. The council then returned to the fellowship room to proceed with the regular meeting.

President Debbie Villas called for a review and approval of the agenda. Debbie noted that Paint Color should be added as old business and Nominating Committee should be moved to new business. Kathy Bero made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, Randy Demeuse seconded; motion passed.

Devotions/Study of the Word: Pastor Mark led devotions with a reading from Matthew Chapter 2 about the visit of the Magi.

President Debbie Villas called for a review and approval of the December 12, 2017 meeting minutes. Randy Demeuse made a motion to approve the minutes, Ronda Pedersen seconded; motion passed. Secretary Cathy Hipke read several thank you notes addressed to the council.

ACTION ITEMS

Old Business

Narthex Colors: Randy Demeuse made a motion to approve the paint colors for the narthex as presented by the Property Committee and Randy Klema, Jim Zobel seconded; motion passed.

New Business

Nominating Committee: President Debbie Villas handed out a list of the candidates chosen by the Nominating Committee to fill the vacant positions for the upcoming year. The candidates are as follows.

Candidates for Church Council for a three year term: Boni Nerat-Heckel, Stacy Hansen, Matt Vanni, Kathy Bero and Dave Anderson.

Candidates for Church Council Youth Representative for a one year term: Rhyon Nelson or Anna Magrane.

Candidates for Nominating Committee: Debbie Lemery, Gary Gustafson and Randy Demeuse.

Debbie Lemery made a motion to approve and recommend the candidates to the congregation at the annual meeting, Randy Demeuse seconded; motion passed.

Election of Officers: Mike Bellisle nominated Kathy Bero to fill the position of Vice President for 2018, Dave Anderson seconded; motion passed. Kathy Bero nominated Ronda Pedersen to fill the position of Secretary for 2018, Adam Starzynski seconded; motion passed. Kathy Bero nominated Debbie Villas to continue in the position of President for 2018, Jim Zobel seconded; motion passed.

REPORTS

Youth Advisory Council Report: Nothing to report.

Youth and Family Ministry Director's Report: Patti Treptow reviewed her written report.

Presidents Report: President Debbie Villas gave special thanks and appreciation to Debbie Lemery, Randy Demeuse, Gary Gustafson and Kyle Anderson for their service to the council. She also expressed thanks to all who came forward to fill the open officer's positions. Deb reminded the council that there will be a coffee hour Sunday January 14 in honor of Gary's years of service as treasurer. Deb also asked that all council members make an effort to attend the annual meeting.

Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee Report: Dave Anderson reviewed in general the monthly finances. A motion to pay the bills was made by Kathy Bero, seconded by Ronda Pedersen; motion passed. Debbie Lemery reported that \$31,149.92 was transferred into the Maintenance Fund. Debbie also reported that the Finance Committee recommends renewed efforts in 2018 to reach out to inactive members as an exercise to validate the rolls of membership.

Committee Reports

Fellowship: Ronda Pedersen reported that the committee has finalized plans for the annual meeting lunch. The committee will be serving soup and sandwiches with the youth assisting.

Human Resource: Jim Zobel reported that the review and revision of the Bonus Policy is complete.

Memorial: Nothing to report.

Outreach: Patti Treptow reported that with the congregation's generous help the Outreach Committee was able to serve 55 people in the community with food and/or gifts for Christmas.

Property: Mike Bellisle reported that the committee had their first meeting since the joining of the Decorating and Property Committees and it went well. The committee is researching the possibility of purchasing new mats for the entryways or finding a service that would clean and replace the mats on a regular basis.

Stewardship: Nothing to report.

Worship: Nothing to report.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Mark presented his written report.

President Debbie Villas asked the committee representatives for a list of current members to update the information the Church has.

President Debbie Villas closed the meeting on a motion by Randy Demeuse, seconded by Ronda Pedersen; motion passed. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted
Cathy Hipke, Council Secretary