



McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

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McFarland Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 22, 2022, 7:00 -9:00

MLC Adult Ed Room

Present: Pastor Naomi, Pastor Kelli, Wayne Corey, Christina Hughey, Paul Hundt, Jane Licht, Brent Odell(Treas.), Barb Porter-Quam(Sec.), Carol Quinlan, Scott Potts, Jon Schadeberg, Gary Toboyek(Pres.), John Zweig(Vice-Pres.)

Excused: Katherine Miller

1. Call to order & welcome - Gary Toboyek, President
2. Devotion - Gary Toboyek, "One body, Many parts" reflecting on how it takes many different parts to make a whole organization efficient.
3. Agenda Review - Gary Toboyek
4. Approval of February Minutes: moved by Wayne Corey, Seconded by Scott Potts, Motion carried.
5. Treasurer/ Finance Committee report - Brent Odell
FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 FINANCIAL SUMMARY HIGHLIGHTS for February 2022

Cash Balances

Checking Account balance was \$140,393

Total Savings Account balance was \$715,713 of which; \$65,181 was the current balance of mortgage reduction contributions used to pay the principal portion of our mortgage payment, \$117,660 was for building maintenance and repairs, and \$293,000 was in operating reserves.

Mortgage

Our current mortgage balance is \$882,586. (reduced \$1,977 from previous month)

Church Giving / Income and Expenses

Offerings received totaled \$29K.

Non-offering revenue received was \$55K bringing YTD revenue (including offerings) to \$750,668. This is approximately \$136K less than our budgeted/projected YTD income amount. Expenses totaled \$93K bringing total YTD expenses to \$745,738 which were \$5K less than total YTD income received.

Committees and programs are operating consistent with or below budgeted amounts.

4K Income and Expenses

Current YTD 4K expenses were \$65,344 leaving a balance (after having received our second and final payment from the school district) of \$27,848. Total payment from the school district is \$93,192.

Pass Thru Summary

Designated and undesignated giving received totaled \$7,149 (this includes \$1,439 designated for mortgage reduction and a \$5,291 State grant to CLM).

Memorials

Memorials received YTD are \$570.

Approval of Treasurer Report: Moved by Scott Potts, Seconded by Paul Hundt; Motion carried.

6. Pastor's Reports

Pastor Naomi

- In middle of lent and everything is going well
- Working with Chris M. on Holy Week
- Worship - people are returning especially at 10:00 service
- Pastor Kelli and Pastor Naomi are now doing more funerals
- May 6 & 7 will be the Synod Assembly at Kalahari Resort - MLC needs 3 voting members of congregation in attendance

Pastor Kelli

- 20 families have signed up for Easter Egg-stravaganza kits with the Family and Children's Ministry Committee. Families can pick up the kits on Sundays, April 3 and April 10 between services
- Health & Social Wellness Committee will be focusing on Mental Health this Quarter; April - Youth Mental Health, May - Adult Mental Health, June - Senior

Mental Health. Check out the enews and News You Can Use for weekly updates and activities

- Enrolled in two continuing education opportunities
 - 1 session: rediscovering Hope and Energy in Ministry(March 22)
 - 6 sessions: reimagining Children's Ministry(started March 22, every Tuesday for six weeks)
- Vacation March 25-27

7. Solar committee update - West Licht joined Council for this discussion

The committee moved forward with Requests for Proposals(RFP) going out February 1. They had 5 RFPs returned within 2 weeks. They would like to start some type of fund raising and then present it to the Finance Committee. Pastor Naomi suggested looking at the solar panel program at St John's in Oregon. Brent Odell asked if an annual maintenance contract would be necessary. The committee has \$53,000 in designated donated funds. Another consideration is the cost of a new roof before installing the solar panels.

8. **Committee Reports:**

- **Boy Scout Meeting Update:** Brent Plisch joined Council for this update. The Boy Scout Troop 53 program is doing a very good job and the program is very complete. Brent provided information on required background checks of leaders and volunteers and some of the rules in their abuse policy. Goal is to build more of a partnership between the troop and congregation.
- **CLM** - Barb Porter-Quam CLM passed state inspection with no problems. Registration for fall classes took place in February. All classes are full with the exception of 3's. This class was predicted to be smaller. One teacher wants to return Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays this summer. Plan to offer more field trips this summer.
- Bus is an older GM vehicle and needs to move up on their needed items list.
- Fundraisers - chocolate candy sale for playground equipment and possible movie night and/or parents night out evening
- May 2 - 6 is Teacher Appreciation week
- **Worship Committee** - Jane Licht The Apostle's Creed is back in all services. Committee is working with Covid Task force to bring food and coffee fellowship back. Easter services will be similar to 2019.

Properties - Scott Potts The furnace in the sanctuary needed repair and it has been completed. CLM would like another basketball hoop.

COVID Task Force - John Zweig Only Good News! New Covid cases, patients in hospitals and in ICU beds are much fewer. We strongly urge members, staff and visitors to wear masks especially if they have medically related concerns. There is a designated

section in the sanctuary for those who choose to mask and would like to also social distance.

9. **Transition Team**

Pastor Naomi handed out transition/call committee lists. Each of us will come up with 12 names to forward to Pastor Naomi from the lists.

10. **Other Business**

Gary Toboyek reminded us of upcoming elections for new Council members and the possible need to update our Constitution.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 - Moved by Scott Potts, Seconded by Jane Licht, Motion carried.

Closing Prayer by Pastor Kelli

Next Meeting: April 26, 2022

Respectfully submitted by Barb Porter-Quam