

IMMANUEL-TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Council Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2019

6:30 p.m.

Attendance: Pastor Tom Meyer, Becky Skorik, Scott Roltgen, Bob Greenwood, Lori Jurgensmier, John DeMontmollin, Aric Hamburg, Faye Gokey, Gary Dilling, Amy Bertram, Marie Scannel; Travis Moser

Absent: Shar Krueger-Raube, June Bahr

1. Opening prayer – Pastor Tom Meyer
2. Member concerns: Amy Shepro – President Bob Greenwood invited Amy, through a letter, to the council meeting to go over concerns about inaccurate information being spoken about the church. Amy was upset that she received a letter instead of having a personal discussion about any issues or miscommunications. There was discussion on what has recently happened in the congregation and the possible miscommunication of information relayed to the congregation. There was also discussion on what issues she has been hearing from congregational members. She would prefer that any discussions in the future come directly from one on one discussion instead of through letters.
3. Motion made for the Approval of the April 9, 2019 minutes MSC
4. Motion made for the Approval of the April 16, 2019 minutes MSC
5. Motion made for the Approval of the May 1, 2019 minutes MSC
6. Financial reports:
 - Motion made to allow Faye to transfer \$1,143.00 for benevolence from the general fund. MSC
 - Motion made to add \$100 to the accountant fees for added services, with the contract to be evaluated at the end of the year. MSC
7. OLD BUSINESS:
 - Security system – update: The system is up and running. Pastor Tom and Leann have full access to the system right now.
 - Action Team Structure/Goals Update
 - Building & Grounds: Gary Dilling- They are doing jobs as they come up and documenting them. They are completing a maintenance plan.
 - *Worship & Music: Lori Jurgensmeir- A meeting date was decided on for May 21st at 6:00pm. As many musically inclined people as possible will be invited to the meeting.
 - *Christian Ed: Marie Scannell as Council Representative with Amy Bertram also on the team- VBS is now on the church web site. Sign-up for VBS is now also available on the website. They are prioritizing the annual events for the up - coming year. They are also asking for additional volunteers.

*Communication/Outreach: Travis Moser as Council Representative with Scott Roltgen and John De Montmollin also on the team: The team tried to put Pastor's sermon on the church's Facebook site, but this did not work. Another meeting will be setup soon to come up with new ways to get the sermons on-line and continue with other priorities for the group.

*Stewardship: Becky Skorik as the Council Representative with Aric Hamburg on the team: Becky has been talking to a lot of congregational members and getting feedback. Discussion that the Saturday night service lead by the council was well received, but the Sunday 8:30 was not. Worship assistants will now be used to help Pastor lead the weekend services. Volunteers are needed for the worship assistant position.

*Faith & Action: Shar Krueger-Raube as the Council Representative with Becky Skorik and June Bahr also on the team: Next meeting to be held in August.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- Pastor's report
 - Motion made to remove from membership by request: Ann Gorman and Kim Chytka. MSC
 - In the future if the Pastor requests a day off the council will lead the service if it is not a Communion weekend. If it is a communion weekend a pastor will need to be hired for that weekend.
 - Bill Walker's son Troy died. Bill would like to use our facility to host a memorial service on Monday, May 20th at 5:30pm.
 - Motion made to put Pastors report on file: MSC
- Summer slump – Pastor is asking the council help during all worship services. We need additional volunteers.
- Council discussion/moving forward
 - Any future communication to congregational members needs to go through President Bob Greenwood first, then the council will be emailed for discussion or approvals.
 - Council needs to figure out a way to get more volunteers in all areas of the church.
 - Discussion of starting Fellowship after services again. Discussion of new ways of doing this.
 - Worship Assistant to be added to the weekly service sign-up sheet.

9. OTHER

- Informational Meeting: Bring up recent issues. Discuss the resignation of Stephanie. Discuss the reasons for the elimination of the Worship Leader position. Discuss the great plans for education and the future. Discuss the opportunities for volunteers.

10. CLOSING PRAYER: 8:55pm