

February 15, 2022 Church Council Meeting

Council Members Present: Pastor Frank Espegren, Andrew Ford, Bob Huckfeldt, Dan Maloney, Jenny Mohler, Jo Hoffmeier, Joel Kimmelshue (arrived after election of officers), Pastor Jon Haug, Kim Hendricks, Kurt Galvez, Linda Baldwin, Linda Eytcheson, Rita Blomster, Robin Keller, Zhiwei Yu

Guests Present: Jim Keddy, Karen Olson

Absent: Pastor Amy Kienzle

1. Call to Order @ 6:32 pm - Kim Hendricks

2. Opening Devotions - Pastor Frank

3. Approval of Minutes

- a. January Minutes:
 - o Corrected date.
 - Motion to approve minutes by Dan, seconded by Zhiwei
 - o Motion passed unopposed, with one abstention.

4. Election of Officers

- a. Council President
 - Jenny Mohler was elected by show of hands, with no opposition and one abstention.
- b. Council Vice President
 - o **Jo Hoffmeier** was elected by show of hands, with no opposition and one abstention.
- c. Council Secretary
 - o **Andrew Ford** was elected by show of hands, with no opposition and one abstention.
- d. Council Treasurer
 - o **Kurt Galvez** was elected by show of hands, with no opposition and one abstention.
- e. Resolution granting Signing Authority update
 - o Motion to approve updated Resolution, as presented by Linda, made by Jo, seconded by Robin,
 - o Motion passed unopposed, with 2 abstentions

5. Reports & Presentations

- a. Senior Pastor Frank
 - Pastor Frank highlighted Pastor Amy's report and the possibility of funding a Homeless Navigator for midtown.
- b. Director of Administration Linda Baldwin
 - o New Property Manager Matt Balara began work this week.
 - o Portico gate has been delayed again by material shortage to the contractor.
 - Installation will begin this month, and finish the first week of March.
- c. Return to Worship Task Force Linda Baldwin

- o Guidance continues to change, Task Force is monitoring other congregations in the area and around the country, in addition to the county and state requirements.
- o Task Force needs another member from the Council, as Charlene has left the Council.
- d. Financial Report Kurt Galvez
 - o Kurt provided an overview of the Income Statement and Balance Sheet
 - o Giving in January exceeded budget, but fell short of last year.
 - o Current cash balance: \$1,346,324

General Operating Fund
January Revenue: \$155,060
January Expenses: \$137,160

January General Operating Net Income: \$17,900 YTD General Operating Net Income: \$17,900

- e. Repentance & Reconciliation update
 - o Leaders for each area will be appointed to drive the actions.

6. Action Items

- a. Pastor's Housing Allowance
 - o Approval of annual Housing Allowance for each of the Pastor's:
 - Frank Espegren \$70,000
 - Jon Haug \$39,000
 - Amy Kienzle \$30,000
 - o Moved by Robin, second by Bob
 - o Motion passed unopposed with 1 abstention.
- b. Approval of new Congregation members
 - o New members to be added as members: Rod and Ann Rogers
 - o Motion to approve by Joel, second by Bob.
 - Motion passed unopposed with one abstention.
- c. Scholarship Committee Charter changes
 - o Motion to approve by Bob, seconded by Robin.
 - Motion passed unopposed with one abstention.
- d. Action Team on Homelessness letter approval
 - o Motion to endorse the letter and sign the letter on behalf of the congregation.

7. Announcements

- a. Piano concert coming up in February and Organ Concert in April.
- b. Bob announced his resignation from the Council and leaving St. John's, as he and his wife are moving to Boston. His kindness, wisdom and leadership will be missed by all at St. John's.

Adjourned at 8:17 pm Next Meeting on March 15th at 6:30pm, in person.

Respectfully Submitted, Andrew Ford Church Council Secretary