



**June 20, 2023**  
**Church Council Meeting**  
**(Via Zoom)**

**Council Members Present:** Pastor Frank Espegren, Chris Dawson, Jenny Mohler, Jo Hoffmeier, Joan Slabaugh, Joel Kimmelshue, Kim Hendricks, Kurt Galvez, Linda Baldwin, Linda Eytcheson, Pastor Amy Kienzle

**Council Members Absent:** Andrew Ford, Dan Maloney, Rita Blomster, Zhiwei Yu, Pastor Jon Haug

**Guests Present:** Lynne Gilbertson, Catherine Slabaugh

1. **Call to Order @ 6:33 pm** - Jenny Mohler
2. **Opening Devotion** - Pastor Amy
3. **Approval of Minutes**
  - a. Tabled until July meeting
4. **Reports & Presentations**
  - a. Executive Committee - Jenny Mohler
    - o Discussion regarding the Dress Up & Drag event and how we can find a way to talk about these topics and types of events before they're communicated to the congregation.
    - o Harm Policy has been updated and completed, presented to staff for 1st pass and will be reviewed at staff meeting.
  - b. Financial Report
    - o Audit underway, but no end date determined.
    - o Regular envelope giving still down, finance committee urging exercising caution with respect to next year's budget.
    - o Discussion of why giving is down/what is the composition of the pledges that haven't been received.
    - o Current cash balance: \$760,216 (total T-Bill investment: \$491,354)
      - General Operating Fund
      - May Revenue: \$109,518
      - May Expenses: \$116,378
      - May General Operating Net Income: (\$6,861)
      - YTD General Operating Net Income: (\$146,879)
  - c. Senior Pastor
    - o Need to have a conversation about HOW we do the work to get where we envision ourselves being.
    - o Synod assembly, all 3 pastors will be there, but still have open spots for lay voting members.
  - d. Administration
    - o Report as filed.
  - e. Resource Strategy Committee
    - o Everyone in the proposed group said yes except Dave Leshner. Added Bridget Malme in his place.
    - o Committee has met twice so far
    - o Next task is exploring structure of St. John's ie how do we want this place to function

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- f. Pastor Amy
  - Pastor Amy will be getting married on 7/16/23 during the 11:15am service.

## **5. Action items**

- a. New Member Enrollment
  - Motion to approve membership of Catherine Slabaugh.
  - Motion made by Jenny, 2nd by Joel. Motion passed unopposed with 1 abstention.
- b. Commissioning Ad-Hoc Committee: Oil Right Proceeds Discernment committee
  - Motion to establish a working group to discern the use for the proceeds from the oil and gas rights.
  - Moved by Jenny, 2nd by Kim. Motion passed unopposed with 1 abstention.

## **6. Announcements**

- a. August Gathering, Thursday 8/24/23, at Pastor Frank's house
- b. Council Retreat, Saturday 9/30/23, at the California Chamber of Commerce downtown
- c. Sierra Pacific Synod Assembly, Friday 9/15/23 - Sunday 9/17/23 in Burlingame

Adjourned at 8:00 pm

Next Meeting on July 18 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Andrew Ford  
Church Council Secretary