

Hosanna Lutheran Church

Council of Ministries Minutes (preliminary)

May 7, 2008

Present

Tim Boettcher, Pastor Greg, Teresa Kennedy, Linda Marsh, Charley Powers, Marge Drew

Opening Prayer

Pastor Greg offered the opening prayer.

President's Report

Pastor Greg sustained an injury to his shoulder when he fell off the ladder while examining the exterior of the church. This will be handled as a Worker's Compensation Claim. The doctor did give Pastor Greg permission to go on the China Mission Trip. Pastor Greg is scheduled for shoulder surgery on June 9, 2008.

The remainder of the President's Report will be addressed under Old and New Business Reports.

Previous Minutes

Pastor Greg made a motion to accept the March 5, 2008 Minutes as presented. Second, Linda Marsh. Motion approved.

Pastor's Report

Vacation Bible School will be held June 23-27, from 9:00am to 11:30am. The theme is God's Big Back Yard. Summer schedule will begin May 25th. Saturday, May 24th, 6:00pm. Sunday, May 25th, early service, 8:00am, **late service, 9:15am**. This schedule will be effective through Labor Day weekend. The next New Member Class will be held Saturday, June 21st, from 9:00am to 12:00noon.

Pastor Greg presented estimated income and expenses related to the China Mission Trip:

Income	Expenses
\$10,500.00	\$9,650.00

Any additional monies received for Missions will be given to our newly formed Mission Committee.

PMC Report

Bob Hille, Head Elder, was unable to attend the Council meeting. His written report is as follows:

We would like to express our appreciation to Council for all the support and assistance during Holy Week.

We are re-instituting a monthly recognition of outstanding service to the congregation with a certificate and gift.

We are excited about the Mission Committee and its future endeavors. This will be awesome for the spiritual growth of the church!

Old Business

Capital Campaign Committee: Ken Price is the only volunteer to date. Please let Tim Boettcher know of anyone that may be interested in serving on this committee. On Thursday, May 15th, a Capital Campaign Committee will have an open forum. The forum will open with the video "Catch the Vision". This video was prepared prior to our building addition 14 years ago. The committee will encourage suggestions from the congregation for projects to be considered in this campaign.

Phone Directory: The new phone directory is in the process of being completed.

Thrivent Grant: Pastor Greg made a motion to move Thrivent matching funds to the Missions account. Second, Charley Powers. Motion approved.

Memorial Accounts: Family members will be contacted to obtain their suggestions for use of these funds.

New Business

Audit Recommendations: Linda Marsh, Treasurer, is currently implementing the recommendations.

Linda has prepared a notebook containing financial statements. This notebook will be on the Information Desk.

Building soffit repair: Tim will ask Don Stewart to examine the soffit and get his recommendations for appropriate repairs.

The church sign on Bellevue Avenue has been damaged and the plexiglass is clouded. The church insurance policy carries a \$500.00 deductible. The estimated cost to replace the plexiglass is \$360.00. Therefore, it is desirable to pay for the replacement glass with existing budgeted funds.

New Part-Time Custodian: Tim has been told that the Early Learning Center custodian may be interested in the church part-time custodial position. Tim will continue to try contacting her.

Visiting Pastor Payment: Currently, visiting pastors receive \$175.00 total for all services. We need to check with other churches to see if this payment needs to be adjusted.

Report from the Mission Committee

Charley Powers, Interim Chairman for six months, gave the following report:

The third meeting of the Mission Committee was held on April 15th. Our name is **Hosanna Missions Team – The Hands and Feet of Christ**. We are currently working on our mission statement and should have our statement completed by next week. The Hosanna Missions Team seeks to bring the Good News of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to the people of the world through interactive participation in building relationships with those in need spiritually and physically...with the help of our loving God. We encourage Hosanna to establish relationships with the people of the world, to work side by side, to pick up those who are down, to feed both physically and spiritually, to get our hands dirty, to feed, to care and to be moved to service. Our scope is local, national, world. Working with needy people. We discussed our relationship with Community Concerns Committee to see if we should be combined with that committee. The answer is no. There may be some small amount of overlap with the Community Concerns Committee which is ok. Mission funding will be available after the China Mission Trip. Defining our structure: Funding – Jerry Gerdes; Communication – Heidi Boettcher; Record Secretary – Margo Pasha; 6 Month Interim Chairman – Charley Powers. Mission Committee will sponsor Mission Month in September we plan to invite speakers to talk to Hosanna about missions. We will have bylaws by September.

Treasurer's Report

Currently, we are \$4,000.00 short. Year to date we are \$1,100.00 short but still on budget. When filling out reimbursement forms please fill them out as completely as possible. If you don't know the account number please provide what ministry will be using the item. Also, be sure to fill out who will be paid, often this is left blank and it is unsure whether to pay the vendor directly or the person who made the purchase.

Open Concerns

The Lutheran Chorale presented a very enjoyable performance last Sunday. A suggestion has been made that during the next Lutheran Chorale performance refreshments are available during intermission.

Prayer Concerns

Prayers for Pastor Greg and Phyllis during the China Mission Trip. Prayers for Pastor Greg's surgery June 9th.

Jean Gerdes

Cathy Utecht's mom

Calendar

The next Council meeting will be Wednesday, July 9th, at 7:00pm.

Closing Prayer

Pastor Greg offered the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Marge Drew

Council of Ministries Secretary