

Council Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2023

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:32 AM by President Steve. Those present were Pastor Charlane, Steve Bennett, Lisa Achen, Amanda Hawkins, Jack Harris, Bob Linkugel, Rick Brown and Karen Idler.

Devotions

Amanda led our discussion on Chapter Four of *Growing Young*, "Take Jesus' Message Seriously (What's Young about the Good News)."

Prayer and Healing Ministry Report

Ann Linkugel presented an oral report. Support the Prayer and Healing Ministry while Growing Young. Lifting up the Compassion Ministries.

Mission, Vision and Values

Bob read the vision, mission and values statements.

Minutes

The minutes from May 21 were distributed by email prior to the meeting. (There was no meeting in June.) Steve asked if there were any questions. Seeing none, upon motion by Jack and second by Bob, the minutes as written were approved unanimously.

Executive Reports

President: Nothing new.

Treasurer: Lisa's report was distributed by email prior to the meeting.

Steve asked about the reason the salaries are not consistent. Lisa shared as a reminder, there are two times per year that there are three pay days in the month which throws off the monthly numbers.

Men's Group authorized \$3,000 to go to scholarship.

Pastor: Submitted her report by email prior to the meeting. She added that she has a copy of Sticky Church book mentioned.

Pastor is Dean as well as Co-Chairing the Synod Assembly facilitation. There are nine weeks until Synod Assembly. She is meeting with the Vice President to help.

Since it is an Election Year, it is definitely more to the planning.

To Prayer and Healing Ministry Group:
Pray for the planning of Synod Assembly
Pray for Pastor – patience

Old Business

Property updates

Doors: Mark Gentry bid should be in a week. Motion by Steve and second by Lisa was to give Jack authority to spend up to \$10,000 on doors. Anything more will be sent to Council by email to get approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Sign: Pastor took the Liberty to asked Mike Kirby to fix the sign on Placer Hills Road to change the RIC logo. The sign is “technically illegal” but since it’s been there since the establishment of Meadow Vista, it will need to be modified when changed in the future.

Play Structure: Thank you to Jack, Sam, Eric, Tony, and Adam in putting up the structure. Lisa to reach out to Jessica to confirm it is all working well.

Congregational Survey

Pastor wasn’t here when Council discussed this in May and thought more discussion was needed.

Amanda’s observation through guiding this effort is that the congregation trusts the leaders of this effort to move forward knowing they support the Council’s direction.

Rick suggested gathering of young parents and offer dessert and show the existing survey and asked them to prioritize goals and policies they desire as a congregation. Then possibly do another focus group with 16-25 year olds to identify how to meet their needs. Pastor will develop a plan and schedule to present to the Council.

New Business

Water in Education Building: To correct the leak, we will get an estimate to replace the water line from intake to building.

Journey to Generosity: Pastor purchased this to focus on the Stewardship Campaign this fall. If any Council members are interested, please let her know. The time commitment is minimal.

Presentations:

Lisa will do a financial presentation at an upcoming service.

Amanda suggested a Quarterly highlight of all ministries as well as Stewardship.

Sept – season of Creation

Oct – gratitude / stewardship

Adjourn

Upon motion by Bob and second by Jack and with unanimous agreement, the meeting was adjourned at 1:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted from notes provided by Lisa Achen,
Betty Noreen