



Council Meeting Minutes

Church Council of First Evangelical Lutheran Church

April 28, 2019, 10:30-12:30pm

"To worship God as an intergenerational praying community, learning God's Word, and building lasting relationships as we grow in God's love and grace."

Members Present: Pastor Mary Kaye, Don Hansen, Wendy Szczepanski, Joe Landgreen, Miriam Flysjo

Members Absent: Rose Anderson, Duane Olson, Craig Loen

Visitor: Julie Magnuson

A. Opening Devotions- Wendy next month- Don

B. Sharing story- Julie M shared joy and prayer and thanks.
Pastor Mary Kaye and Miriam shared.

C. Pastor Report- PMK-

\$1200 was raised yesterday at the fundraiser dinner. Having two services on Wednesday during Lent worked well. She did 17 visits during the last 6 weeks. Next Let's Talk About it Topic likely is: How we Worship, date to be determined. Summer Stretch here in June. We will have a guest preacher on Mother's Day.

D. Garage Sale PMK-

We need to get rid of old furniture, but there isn't time for a garage sale until later in the summer. Don will find out when the clean up day is to see if we can get rid of some of the things on that day. PMK told about a company that will possibly pick up electronics; however, there is a charge to get rid of them.

F. Treasurer Report. Joe -

Insurance is paid monthly and is current.. It appears that PMK's Continuing Ed allowance is overspent, but it is possible that Synod assembly registration has come out of there. (PMK has notes that she's not spent that amount reflected in the budget printout.)

Continuing Ed fund is over. We don't have a designated line item for Synod assembly registration cost that were in the budget. Joe will have Janelle create a line item for Synod assembly and have her print a report of what has been spent so we can sort this out. We are current on bills but are taking in 7% below of what we spend.

We have raised \$13,700 of the \$35,000 needed for the steeple repair.

E. President's Report- Don--

It was noted that the amount budgeted for Angie's salary is not being used. The council agreed that Angie does a great job and there has not been a raise in the pay rate for that position since she began, at least 2 years. A motion to raise Angie's salary \$.50 an hour made by PMK and second by Miriam. The motion amended by PMK and seconded by Miriam to raise Angie's salary by \$1.00 an hour effective May 1. Motion passed.

The council is looking into a partial restoration of Youth Ministry salary.

Don will meet with Joe do a proposed budget in the next couple of weeks.

In order to begin the steeple project we must have \$35,000 in hand prior to beginning the steeple repair.

G. Other business

The nominations committee is working on finding candidates for council members to replace Don and Joe. Craig Leon's one year term ends, but he's agreed to run for another term.

H. Motion by PMK seconded by Joe to Adjourn

Next council meeting on Friday, May 10 at 6:30 to finalize the budget

Next steeple fundraising meal on Saturday, May 11 at 4:30

Annual meeting June 23. Need budget out by June 2 for congregation to have time to review.