

Calvary Lutheran Church Council Minutes
February 10, 2021
Annual Council Retreat via Zoom
5:00 p.m.

Attending: Kim Williams, Steve Palmer, Greg Snyder, Bethany Wesley, Larry Kent, Nicholle Bieberdorf, Garrett Tisdell, Mitch Eichman, Ashley Brue
Ex-Officio: Pr. Genelle, Shar Paquette

Minutes submitted by Kim Williams.

THERE ARE NO MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 21, 2021 ANNUAL MEETING AS THERE WAS NOT A QUORUM AND THE MEETING WAS SUSPENDED.

The meeting was convened at 5:03 p.m.

Appointment of New Council Members

*Garrett moved & Kim seconded that Nicholle Bieberdorf & Larry Kent be appointed to fill current council vacancies. All in favor, motion passes.

Introductions were made and a team building activity completed with returning and proposed council members.

Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda items include December financial reports; staff reports (for December & January); minutes from December meeting and kitchen upgrade initial report. Individual items will be available on Sharepoint.

*Greg moved; Garrett seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. All in favor, motion passes.

New Business

Organ Update-Shar would like to explore a \$30 switch as a first step to try as a tentative solution to fix the organ. She also reviewed the costs associated with bringing a technician from Fargo to determine what is wrong with the organ. She is hesitant to recommending investing any more, based on the age and technology limitations of the current organ.

*Steve moved, Larry seconded to approve funding for a new switch and a technician visit to determine what the actual issue is and what potential repairs would cost. All in favor, motion passes.

Rescheduling the Annual Meeting

The annual meeting originally scheduled for January 31, 2021 did not have a quorum. General consensus was that the annual meeting be rescheduled via Zoom with video and phone in options. This would require action by the Council.

*Greg moved; Ashley seconded that we proceed with the alternate format of Zoom for the rescheduled annual meeting. All in favor, motion passes.

*Nicholle Moved, Garrett seconded that the annual meeting be held at 10:00 am on Sunday, March 7, 2021. All in favor, motion passes.

Council members should plan to meet via Zoom at 9:45 am prior to the March 7 annual meeting.

Reopening Building

Pr. Genelle walked through the tentative reopening plan related to the pandemic. The intent is for Calvary and First Lutheran to coordinate timing of in-person worship. Based on current numbers in the county, council consensus was that it was time to consider implementing the reopening policy and procedures, with a target date of March 21. The adopted policy will be sent out via email to council members for their review.

*Garrett moved, Ashley seconded that worship be initiated for March 21, 2021 following the reopening policy approved by Council and the procedures developed by staff. All in favor, motion passes.

Sabbatical Plans

Pr. Genelle reviewed plans for pastoral coverage during her sabbatical and how various programs of the church will be function in her absence. She also reviewed some human and financial resources that are available to Calvary to support the congregation during her sabbatical (April 18-July 18). Refer to her printed description that was included with the email for the February Council meeting for additional details.

Application for Seminary Intern for 2021-22 School Year

Luther Seminary called requesting that Calvary apply as a site for a seminary intern. Genelle reviewed the financial and staff requirements needed to support an intern with Council.

*Nicholle moved, Greg seconded that we proceed with application for a seminary intern. Seven in favor, one opposed, one abstains. Motion passes.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's prayer.

Adjournment:

*Mitch moved, Nicholle seconded, the meeting be adjourned at 7:40 pm., with all in favor. Motion passes.

Next Council Meeting: Thursday, February 25, 2021

Time: 5:30 p.m.