Council Meeting Minutes 11.9.15

Jill called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

Three new items were added to the agenda. Sandy moved, Brian seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

Connie moved, Mark seconded to approve the Secretary's report. Motion passed.

Sandy moved, Elsa seconded to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Pastor's Report:

Home Communion Minister update—Pastor Mae Jean held the first meeting. There were 4 interested members from our congregation who have agreed to be Home Communion Ministers. Mae Jean is checking with those she is visiting to see if they are interested in receiving communion. The Home Communion kits will be ordered using memorial money from members of the church.

Steve moved to accept Alice Wang, Kay Wang, Lenita Stark, Mary Lou Hansen as Home Communion Ministers, Brian seconded. Motion passed.

Adult Sunday School classes are going well.

Connie moved, Kaylynne seconded to approve Pastor's Report. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

<u>Education:</u> The Sunday School program is getting bigger. We will be meeting shortly to discuss the Christmas program.

<u>Evangelism:</u> The Harvest Fest was a success. Everyone had a lot of fun. Craft 4 a Cause took place last month. They will be donating \$500 to the Shop with a Cop program in Green County. Jenna Bocklund has requested the church for January 22-23 for a lock-in event. Brian moved, Connie seconded to approve the request. Motion passed.

LYO update: the group got together last night and made plans for the next few months. They will be making cookies and having a cookie walk on Dec. 13. They will also be caroling on Dec. 16. Lefse preparation will begin on Jan. 30 for the Norwegian Dinner (February 21, 2016).

<u>Stewardship:</u> Time and Talent sheets went out in the newsletter for November. We have received a few back already. There is a table in the narthex to collect them.

<u>Worship:</u> We have a list of willing substitute organists. The committee met to start planning some upcoming holiday services. Christmas morning service will be at 9am. There will also be an epiphany service on Wednesday, January 6. There are 4 Wednesdays between Epiphany and Ash Wednesday. We are planning services "FIA" (Fellowship in Action OR Fellowship, Inspiration, Affirmation). The service format is very similar to previous WoW services.

<u>Property:</u> It was found that the roof of the church was leaking. Shawn Triem came to the church and did some foaming and fixing. Mark and Shawn will be going back to the church the next time it rains to make sure that the rain water runoff has been stopped. Mark moved, Brian seconded to approve that Connie reimburse Courtney (out of the Memorial Fund) for the purchase of a new kitchen faucet at the parsonage. Motion passed.

Brian moved, Steve seconded to approve the Committee Reports. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business

The council still has 1 vacant council seat to be filled.

The nominating committee will be meeting tomorrow night (11/10).

New Business

The Council began preliminary budgeting discussions for 2016.

Annual meeting: Elsa moved, Mark seconded to set the date of the 2016 Annual Meeting as Sunday, January 31 immediately following worship. There will be a potluck following the meeting.

For the Good of the Church

Mae Jean wants to commend the 4 ladies of our congregation who have stepped up to volunteer as Home Communion Ministers.

Neil is thankful for the lessons we are learning from Pastor Mae Jean.

The council is thankful for Steve joining us.

Courtney moved, Elsa seconded to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 9:14pm.