

Trinity Lutheran Church, Durand IL

Council Meeting Minutes

February 25, 2020

Present: Sharon Beksel, Shannon Brown, Maureen Witte, Jody Steinke, Michelle Chatfield, Scott Jones, Dale Tunak, and Kimberly Schuldt

Maureen called meeting to order at 6:32pm, quorum declared.

January council meeting reviewed, one addition noted-Council approved supply Pastor Sharon to not be present on Sundays when Pastor Roger Hurlbut is presiding. Also council approved flexibility with Sharon's one day off each week. Jody made a motion to accept the January minutes as amended, Michelle seconded, motion approved.

The reports of the Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Minister, Parish Administrator, and Christian Education were reviewed. Sharon added that Pastor Roger is here Sunday March 29 and she will be off March 27-30. Sharon made a motion to accept these reports, Dale seconded, motion approved.

Maureen read to council a thank-you letter from NIS thanking Trinity for their 2020 Mission Support intent.

Updates from Old Business:

Rich Steinke agreed to a 3-year term on the Audit Committee. Sharon made a motion to accept Rich as member of Audit Committee, Scott seconded, (Jody recused herself from voting), motion approved.

A one-year term member is still needed for Audit Committee.

DARTS Fun Fair committee was formed, will be having a meeting soon.

A male voting member is still needed for Synod Assembly, a request will be put in the Traveler.

The Transition Team had a meeting. The committee will now be called "Call Team." They are working on a Ministry Site profile.

A question was brought up at Annual Meeting in January regarding Sharon's contract and Fair Standard Labor Act, the response is that clergy and Synodically Authorized Ministers would not be subject to the FSLA because they fall under the ministerial exemption provision determined by case law. This response will also be put in the Traveler.

Devotions were led by Maureen.

New Business:

Shannon gave a more in-depth explanation of the Treasurer's report. She noted that the Pass Thru Fund has \$183.50 in it and that it needs to be designated to a different account. Dale made a motion that the

money be put into the Sunday School/VBS account. Michelle seconded, motion approved.

The recent Visionary Meeting held after church service with congregation was discussed. Positive feedback was received from Council members.

Sharon presented to council the results of the congregation survey on parochial report questions. The results will be discussed further at a future council meeting.

Messages in the Suggestion Box were discussed.

Maureen presented a question regarding the format of current council meetings-Do we want to keep current format? Any suggestions if wish to change? A vote was taken and approved to change format of the council meeting.

The following reports were reviewed: Mission & Social Concerns, Worship, Youth(verbal), Memorial(verbal). The youth will meet the 2nd Sunday of every month at 12:30, lunch included. The Memorial team states they are having a meeting soon. A motion was made by Scott to accept the reports presented, Sharon seconded, motion approved.

Prayer of Intercession were offered by Sharon.

Jody made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Sharon seconded, motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.