

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Council Minutes
Tuesday, July 18, 2023
6:30 p.m.

ATTENDEES:

(x) Jerry Decent, Box 50	(x) Kevin Martini, Box 213
(x) Nancy Evans, Box 61	(x) Pastor Paul Mattson
(x) Bonnie Goshey, Box 36	(x) Tom Nixon, Box 07
(x) Deb Koop, Box 114	(x) Peter Nordell, Box 222
(x) Bonnie LaPierre , Box	(x) David Pundt, Box 295

CALL TO ORDER

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA- Additions to the agenda by Nancy were NB 2-4. NB 5 topics added by Nancy and Jerry. Motion made and seconded by Peter to accept the amended agenda.

READING OF THE VISION STATEMENT & MISSION STATEMENT

CELEBRATING THE JOYS OF IMMANUEL- Deb Koop for filling in on Sunday. Chances to interact with people when tending the garden. Conner Batch Elder's baptism on June 29.

DEVOTIONS: THIS MONTH: DAVID PUNDT NEXT MONTH: JERRY DECENT

PRAYERS

COUNCIL BUSINESS

DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS ON THE MINUTES FROM JUNE 2023- Minutes approved via email.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND DISCUSSION- Motion made by Peter and seconded by David to add a statement to the newsletter and Sunday white sheet with budget information related to giving. Motion made by Bonnie and seconded by Jerry to accept the financial statement.

OLD BUSINESS

1. COMMITTEE REPORTS- Investments: first CDs are maturing in September. The team will review what interest rates are to make decisions on where to reinvest the money. Manna for Malawi: Everything on schedule, well in hand.
2. ERC UPDATE- We received the final payment from the IRS was \$12,626. It was recommended that the money be put in a money market fund so we can write checks on it if needed.

3. VISION TO ACTION- We have not received a report from Pastor Mark Holmen. Pastor Paul is doing his best to connect with him. We will start looking for people interested in our future planning through the Sunday connection card.

4. PATH OF HOPE- We are expecting to have bids in the next month for work needed to be done to the yard.

NEW BUSINESS....

1. FINANCE/BUDGET COMMITTEE ROLE DEFINITION- Budget committee meets quarterly to review the budget. We will review role concerns again after getting more information about them.

2. COMPUTER PURCHASES- Staff computers are scheduled to be replaced in 2024. It has been recommended by Jeremy, our tech consultant, that we consider replacing two computers a year instead of waiting to do all at once. We will get bids to replace the two oldest computers, tech booth and Jill Decent's office, this year. There is money set aside for computers in the special savings account.

3. SUNSHINE MINISTRY- There hasn't been any activity in the sunshine fund in quite some time. Deb Eatros is going to check if it has been three years. If so, policy designates that the \$3049 would be transferred to "area of greatest need."

4. HIGH SCHOOL CARE KITS- The high school no longer has a need for care kits. It is suggested that we donate the care kits to the youth center if they would be willing to store and distribute them.

5. MISC. TOPICS- Please contact Deb Etros when planning to host a fund-raising event. She needs to be aware of the events and how the funds will be accounted for. Safety of staff when alone at the church was discussed. All doors should be locked when staff are alone. For now, we will get a sign on the doors with office hours and the number to call when the doors are locked.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS FOR SEPTEMBER

2023		9:00 a.m.		10:30 a.m.	<i>(notes/special occasion)</i>
Sept. 3		Bonnie Goshey		Deb Koop	Labor Day Weekend
Sept. 10		Peter Nordell		David Pundt	Rally Sunday
Sept. 17		Kevin Martini		Tom Nixon	
Sept. 24		Bonnie LaPierre		Jerry Decent	

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ADJOURNMENT 8:00 p.m. NEXT MEETING SET FOR AUGUST 15TH, 2023, 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Koop, Recording Secretary