

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 27, 2015

Members Present: John Russo, Heather Hosfield, Julie Holmen, Donald Keefe, Tim Johnson, Marisa Houghland, Kristi Olien, Steve Hagstrom, Jeff Pedersen, Kelly Haagenon, Nancy Post, Linda Glass, Carl Geving, Melanie Racer, David Eshelman, Lisa Reesnes, Pete Duelo, Carol Rudd, Jim Borowick, Rod Wallace, Rick Weathermon, Jr., Craig Anderson, Rick Bode, Karis Wong, Todd Loncorich and Susan Mork.

Also Present: Pastors Jeff Krogstad and Carol Skjegstad, Jerry Gates and Ruby Heiden.

Absent: Susan Beacham, Dave Kufahl, Kristi Michaelson, Jason Newville, Jan Pogue and Steve Waters.

Devotions by Melanie Racer. 1Samuel 20:41-42. God calls us to be a friend.

Minutes of November 25, 2014 approved. Motion made and seconded.

Financial Update by Jerry Gates. Ended calendar year with surplus.

Staff Update by Ruby Heiden. Becky Westgard, Senior High Youth Director resigned. Maggie Yates, Child Care Director resigned. Margaret Mahowald has agreed to be the interim Child Care Director until a permanent replacement is hired.

Worship Discussion Group Update by John Russo. John explained a diverse group of people are participating in this group which will meet three times. Notes will be taken at these meetings. The record of the discussions will be forwarded to staff, pastors, and council.

Lenten Drama Volunteer Sign-up sheet passed around for the March 11th portrayal. All 12 volunteer positions filled.

Publishing Council Minutes Discussion. " Motion to publish council minutes on website as taken by secretary prior to council approval marked as draft copy. After council reviews minutes they will then be posted as approved or amended." Motion seconded, motion passed.

Special Committee on Council (aka Governance Committee) update by Todd Loncorich.

Worship Time Committee Update by Rick Weathermon. They are hopeful to have recommendations by April/May 2015. They are waiting on next steps pending a conversation with Steve Waters. They plan to meet with the communications team to get their guidance on best practices in socializing to the congregation.

Round Table Discussion and practice. First Round Table Discussion is Feb. 1 @ 12:30. Meeting will be kept to approximately one hour. There will be three Round Table Discussions/year. Format: 10-15 minute opening by Pastor Jeff on Mission, Vision & Values of Calvary. Breakout Discussion at round

tables-45 min. Each table to have 1-2 council members-remember to wear your name tags. Primary function is to listen and take notes. Get everyone at the table talking, be a good listener, keep environment positive. Hand all notes in to secretary to edit and compile for discussion at next council meeting.

Communion will be on the agenda at next council meeting to make a plan to move forward.

Question: Are we looking at any organizations (CORE, LCMC, etc.) to partner with or do we intend to remain an independent Lutheran organization? There had been some discussion of doing this at the time of leaving the ELCA. Calvary does have many partnerships to help with accountability. This issue could be further researched and discussed.

Please always feel free to contact John Russo with any questions or concern

Closed with the Lord's Prayer @ 8:48pm.

Submitted by Susan Mork

Next Council Meeting Tuesday Feb. 24th, 2015 @ 6:30pm.