



Council Minutes

Monday, March 11, 2019

Members Present: Rev. Scott J. Anderson, Bill Bowman, Fred Drotleff, Susan Lux, Marilyn Mason, Sally Nesselrode, Jacob Schandel, Terri Wanner, Jeff Ward

Members Absent: Tim Farber (excused)

Meeting opened with a devotion and prayer by Pastor Scott.

Motioned by Jeff, seconded by Fred to accept the February minutes. Motion carried.

Guest Presentation from Kathy Smith of Thrivent

Our accounts with Thrivent Mutual Funds were reviewed with Kathy Smith. The council agreed that at this time, we wish to keep our current investments as is, as they feel safe for our congregation's financial needs.

Treasurer's Report

Report reviewed. Jeff made a motion to approve, Terri seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business

- **Constitution updates:** An update on the constitutional update process was provided. We currently do not follow our constitution in that it requires an Audit Committee to perform an annual audit at the church. Adjustments were made such that shorter term requirements make it easier to get volunteers for this job. Jeff moves, Bill seconded. Motion carried.
- **Sound system expansion:** Findings from Jacob and Fred's meeting with Darren Walter were discussed. Jeff motioned, and Fred seconded, to bring to the memorial funds committee a request for the installation of an FM transmitter and FM-based sound bars in the nursery and teen room. Motion carried. Also, we should consider allocating money for maintenance of the sound system in 2020 to include system tuning and wiring replacements.
- **Memorial funds:** Updated balances were reviewed.
- **Portico repair:** Quotes were obtained for this. Jeff made a motion to put this into the 2020 budget, Jacob seconded. Motion carried.

- **Lawn care:** Jeff motioned, Terri seconded to make one application of lawn care chemicals, and then revisit budgeting for six applications in four site visits in 2020.
- **Audit committee:** Susan Lux and Max Lebold will conduct the audit and need a third individual to help them.
- **Council retreat:** Our retreat is this Saturday, March 16 from 9 AM-12 PM at the church.
- **Bishop's Gathering:** This is May 4, time and location TBA. We need someone to attend from our congregation.

New Business

- **Table moving:** Individuals are needed to help move tables before funerals. Jeff will begin to look into forming a group that can get together as needed to do this.
- **Pastor's employment status:** We need to hold a meeting in May to vote on whether to extend a permanent call to Pastor Scott. May 5 is the tentative day for this. The date will be confirmed at the April meeting.

Pastor's Report

- Report reviewed.
- **Mileage:** Report reviewed. Jeff made a motion to approve, Marilyn seconded. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Evangelism and Outreach: Eight prayer shawls were made as well as a number of Barney bears were distributed. Sleeping bags and mats were donated as well as money for this project. Quilting ministry is working hard to make quilts. Special thanks to Texas Roadhouse of North Canton for donating rolls and salad for the meal.

Fellowship and Family Life: A funeral dinner was held for Bob Kuhns. Flowers will be distributed on Mother's Day.

Financial Stewardship: No report.

Media and Technology: See sound system notes under new business.

Property: The sacristy was painted and updated wall plates were put on electrical switches and outlet. The carpet stains in the sanctuary were mentioned and tabled at this time.

Worship and Music: A glass flagon was ordered to be here by Easter Sunday for use with the spumante.

Youth: No report.

Upcoming Events

- March 16: Retreat for council to be held at the church
- Holy Week and Easter: Maundy Thursday and Good Friday at 7 PM, Palm and Easter Sundays at 9:30 AM as usual

Susan made a motion to adjourn.

*Respectfully submitted,
Jacob H. Schandel
Council Secretary*