

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
Council Meeting Agenda
January 16, 2018
5:30 PM

FLC Vision: Developing Relationships ... That Matter!

FLC Mission: We faithfully honor Jesus by developing disciples to reach others with the light of God's hope and love.

- 1) Call to order; welcome / Introduce Guest (None) – 5:36 pm
Present: President Larry Patterson, Pastor Rusty, Treasurer Gene Davenport, Matt Engelmann, Secretary Bruce Turner, Vice President Anna Geleske and Richard Hinojosa.
Absent: Sinikka Marten, Maury Tiller, Cynthia Murphy
- 2) Devotion – Larry Patterson Paul's letter to Ephesians (Ephesians 4:1)
- 3) Approve minutes from previous meeting(s):
 - Regular meeting minutes – December 10, 2017
Motion by Anna to accept December 10 report, seconded by Richard, motion carries.
- 4) Receive reports with discussion as warranted on regular agenda items:
 - Finance Report
 - i. Receive November 30, 2017 report – Matt, Council Treasurer 2017
Motion by Gene to accept November 30 report, seconded by Richard, motion carries.
 - ii. Receive December 31, 2017 report – Matt & Gene, Council Treasurer
The church received \$186K of income in the month of December and \$60K more than was spent. The last quarter was extraordinary for our church and should be celebrated. Matt recommended two year end adjustments. Move \$1,500 from unallocated reserve to benevolence to restore the YAGM shortfall and move \$28,343 from the unallocated reserve to operating to clear the shortfall.
Motion to accept both recommendations by Gene, Richard seconded, motion carries with the possibilities of additional contributions to cover the remaining \$1,500 to fully fund the YAGM shortfall.
 - Pastor's Report
 - i. Relationship that Matters Meter - Gap closure evaluation of response
Pastor Rusty reiterated that we have a generous congregation and gave thanks for the financial giving of the last quarter. We need to use that momentum for 2018. What we just finished is significant.
 - ii. Update - Associate Pastor Call process
 1. A candidate was presented by the bishop, the candidate spent the weekend in town and attended both services, met with the Call Team and Pastor Rusty. He was rated high with additional information needed. The call process will continue with the goal of stabilizing the ministry.

- 5) Review draft presentation for Jan. 21, 2018 Congregational Meeting – agenda items to cover and by law changes. We reviewed the presentation of the congregational meeting and made modifications as needed.
- Vote on Day School constitutional changes
 - Vote to move congregational meeting (Spring time)
 - Present Year-End Financial information – Gap Closure Results
 - Vote to remove “contingent” from the approved 2018 Ministry Plan Budget
- 6) On-going projects / action items
- Update on Surplus Land Sale – two options are pending but not imminent.
 - Update on Roof Repair - Interaction with Guideone Ins. Company- We have four estimates from roofing companies. Discussions have been held with Guideone and they agree that there are voids in the current estimated cost. Guideone has agreed to evaluate the project again to ensure that all cost are covered to complete the scope of work in total. Guideone will be responding back to Larry.
 - 2018 Pledging Process Development and Implementation - Brian Weaver is leading the development of this team. The goal is to complete a plan that can be implemented prior to our next annual meeting in May.
 - Discuss Modification to Finance Team structure - Larry, Gene & Pastor Rusty. It was discussed that with the convergence of the FLDS in with the Church that we may reach out to Jana Nelson to see if she would join the finance team. Discussions will be held with all team members to clarify responsibilities of the finance team.
 - Advisory team reaching out to the FLDS. It was mentioned that it would be good to have a council leader sit in on FLDS meetings in an effort for both groups to become closer.
 - Survey of Congregation – follow-up discussion on procedure and timing? To be addressed at next meeting.
 - NT-NL Synod Assembly April 27-28, 2018 – Temple, Texas (attendees?) Attendees need to be finalized. Pastor Rusty will talk to Christian Marbach about inviting a responsible youth to attend also.
 - Council Member term adjustments (adjust to August if annual meeting moved) Larry is reviewing the Council member terms to assure proper overlap of support. To be finalized in the near future.
 - Sanctuary furnishings sub-committee(s); On going
 - New Business: FLDS is having the second annual fund raising festival at Briarwood on April 14 and would like to have council and congregational support for this fun event.
- 7) Next - 24D Vision training schedule - - We will complete Module 10 on February 13th 5:30 pm
- 8) Adjournment

Next Council meeting Sunday @ 1:00 pm - - Feb. 11, 2018
Congregational Meeting Jan. 21, 2018

Spring Retreat TBD