

First Lutheran Church Council Minutes: March 11, 2019

Members present: Brenda Bass, Jim Farrell, Laurel Goforth, Kris Langdon, Jim Pierce, Carol Bungee, Sara Knorr, Dee Dee Hebb, Debbie Taylor, Cyndee Simpson, Pastor Roger Lenander.

Members absent: Sylvester Heeler and Terry Cotton

President Jim Farrell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m

April Devotions: Jim Pierce.

Council Orientation: Pastor Lenander walked the new members that were present through the Council Notebook and gave a brief overview of how the meetings are run.

Executive Committee Elections:

Jim Pierce explained the church constitution and the by-laws and how this process works and how it relates to First Lutheran Church. There is a specific section on how we will call a new pastor. We will need this later this year.

Kris Langdon nominated Jim Farrell for Council President. Dee Dee Hebb second the motion. Laurel Goforth moved to cease the nominations. All present were in favor of Jim Farrell for Council President.

Kris Langdon nominated Jim Pierce for Council Vice-President. Dee Dee Hebb second the motion. Sara Knorr moved that nominations cease. All present were in favor of Jim Pierce for Council Vice-President.

Jim Pierce nominated Brenda Bass for Council Secretary. Dee Dee Hebb second the motion. Jim Pierce moved that the nominations cease. All presented were in favor of Brenda Bass as Council Secretary.

Minutes: As there was not a quorum for the February Council meeting there were no minutes to approve. The minutes from the January 10, 2019 meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report (written report on file in church office):

Cyndee reported that offerings were down, however most of that is due to bad weather and members not being able to come to worship. March has five Sunday's so this should equal out by then.

We have a new snow removal company so that has increased expenses somewhat.

A list of the FLC Dedicated Accounts was distributed to council. The Hope Project (used for funeral dinners) is down to \$83.62.

Sara Knorr moved to accept the report. Kris Langdon second the motion. All approved to the Treasurer's report.

Old Business:

- Jim Pierce discussed the Worship Survey. Initially when FLC decided to go to one service, council said that they would revisit how this was going. The survey is intended to address this.
- There were 77 surveys that were completed either at the website or by paper.
- 40 of them that were submitted included comments.
- Many noted that communication has needed to be addressed. As such, we have begun to try to meet those needs by setting up the church phone/computer system to send out alerts and messages, to add notes in the Handclasp and add the council minutes to the website.
- The council also discussed the need to break down the survey further to analyze the data better as well as address the comments.
- The graphs will be added to the website and Handclasp as well.
- Jim Pierce made note that this is just the first step. Sara Knorr made the motion to publish the graphs/charts. Dee Dee Hebb second the motion. All approved.
- We will begin to update phone numbers and email addresses so that everyone that wants to receive the text and email alerts will receive them.

New Business:

Synod Assembly will be in June in Kansas City. We will send two delegates – one male and one female from First Lutheran. A new bishop and secretary will be elected during this assembly.

Kris Langdon moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm. Sara Knorr second the motion. All approved.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Next Meeting: April 11, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Taylor, Council Secretary (outgoing)