

LORD OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, September 21, 2017, 7-10 PM
Minutes

Present: Dave Smith, Carol Gaskamp, Mark Waggoner, Pr. Skip Wachsmann; quorum is present

Vice-President Dave Smith called the meeting to order and opened with prayer and a devotion on forgiveness.

Minutes from the August meeting were accepted as distributed.

The focus of discerning prayer continues to be:

- Where is LOLLC to be in Five Years?
- What will LOLLC look like in Five Years?
- How do we get there?

Old Business

- Youth Ministry: Pr. Wachsmann updated the Council on work of the youth ministry.
- RRISD Community Work: Pr. Wachsmann reported that the program is going very well. One parent thanked him for providing a safe place for her son.
- Stem Program Status: Pr. Wachsmann reported that the program is going well. Since the program is Monday-Thursday, the STEM staff have agreed to set up the space for Sunday School at the end of the program on Thursday, and the Sunday School staff ready the space for the STEM program after Sunday School on Sunday.

New Business

- Dave shared a Google map aerial view of the property, and discussed how such a map can be used to sketch out different uses of the property. Pr. Wachsmann clarified the property boundaries on the map. Dave will work with his resources to get a more detailed aerial view for the next council meeting.
- Church Financial Audit: Pr. Wachsmann shared the wording from the LOLLC constitution regarding the requirements for an annual audit which also specifies the make-up of the audit committee, and specified that council appoints the audit committee. Council agreed to appoint the finance committee to conduct an internal audit. Dave Smith will communicate this request to the Finance Committee.
- Approve New Members: Council approved transfers of Pamela Campbell from King of Kings Lutheran Church (LCMS), Round Rock, TX and Barbara Carter: transferred from Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (LCMS), Cedar Park, TX (Gaskamp moved, Waggoner seconded)
- Nominating Committee: Pr. Wachsmann shared the wording from the LOLLC constitution regarding the composition and appointment of the nominating committee: 3 lay members with only one from the Council; Council appoints the committee. LOLLC practice has been that the Council VP serves on the nominating committee. Dave will request Kelley to use the e-blast to begin soliciting nominating committee members. Goal is to have the nominating committee appointed at the October Council meeting.
- Assessing the Past to Plan for the Future: Pr. Wachsmann shared materials from the 2013 ministry review, cottage meeting notes, and Pr. Alan Watt's Interim Pastor report for the Council to review as a starting point for affirming the vision the Council has for LOLLC future. The group decided to hold a council retreat in October without Pr. Wachsmann, to be facilitated by an outside person, to further discuss LOLLC vision and strategize how to lead the congregation into living that future.

9/24/17: Ad hoc Council meeting following services, with quorum present (Duarte, Smith, Waggoner, Gaskamp, Wachsmann). Met in Executive session.

C. Gaskamp, Scribe