

Lord of Life Church Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday-December 20, 2018

Attendees:

President John Duarte, Vice-President Carol Gaskamp, Members Dave Smith, Randy Anderson, Pastor Wachsmann (Member Brynn Waggoner has excused absence)

- Call to Order by Gaskamp at 6:22PM
- 6:22 Devotional offered by Gaskamp. Re: A meeting between the Dali Lama and Desmond Tutu regarding suffering and pillars of joy.
- 6:26 Prayer offered by Gaskamp
- 6:27 Last month's Council Minutes brought to floor for approval by Gaskamp. Approval motion made by Duarte, seconded by Smith. Previous minutes approved by consensus.
- 6:28 Gaskamp brings to floor Dwelling in the Word with reference to Luke 24:13-35. Smith reads. Discussion ensues on why Jesus just vanished. His presence affirms his "Messiah-ness", now go out into the world a la Missional River.
- 6:46 Gaskamp brings to floor a time for Discerning Prayer. Re: Youth Ministry Direction, Nominations for Council, Five Year Vision/Strategic Plan/Long Range Planning, Annual Congregational Meeting.

Old Business

- 7:19 Gaskamp brings update on nominations committee for potential council members. 10 individuals have been asked and all have said no for various reasons.
- 7:28 Gaskamp brings to floor disc golf church parking issue. Anderson/Duarte advise of recent developments/correspondence. Council decides not to pursue at this time a parking joint use agreement with City of Austin given factors of short duration, primacy of use, neighborhood impacts/perceptions Et al.
- 7:38 Pastor Wachsmann advises/updates Council on Member Celebration Cards. Becky Roach and Barbara Carter have agreed to take on this ministry.
- 7:39 Gaskamp brings to floor leadership retreat discussion envisioned for February 9, 2019. Ministry Team leads will be invited. New Council member to be included/invited. Missional River Team invited. (ACTION ITEM: During January Council meeting Council needs to address agenda for February cottage meeting.)

New Business

- Gaskamp brings to floor consideration of Church Budget for 2019. Duarte addresses. Detailed Council discussion ensues. Budget not being met apparently based on Council's understanding of the proposed 2019 Budget. Transfers are occurring from reserves in order to meet

obligations. Council's role is to accept or reject budget for congregational vote, Council does not approve the Budget; the congregation does. Smith requests that the Finance Team confirm that in the 2019 proposed Budget wherein a column is shown as, "2018 Budget" actually represents year to date(thru November) actual income and expenses(Anderson will compose email to Dick Fink(cc's to Jennifer, Glenace, John) requesting this clarification and also that reserves have/are being used to cover expenses and if so where is this reflected in 2018 actual year to date revenue). Council decides to remove the 2019 proposed budgetary expense shown in account 9000.11 in the amount of \$10,000.00 dollars for carpet allowance and rather establish a building improvement carpet/flooring replacement fund at the annual congregational meeting. Council will request Finance Team to respond to the above for January Council meeting.

- Gaskamp brings to floor general membership discussion. An example stewardship card is shown to promote ideas for church involvement.
- Gaskamp brings forth Kids Day Out meeting discussion. Pastor Wachsmann addresses initiatives in formative stage.
- Gaskamp brings forth membership transfer regarding Simpson family. Duarte moves, Smith seconds, approval by consensus.
- Pastor Wachsmann brings forth discussion on Hill Country Community Ministries. Lord of Life will still participate in food pantry and special projects endeavors.
- Duarte discusses quarterly ministry meeting with reference to Ministry Fair. June of 2019 is suggested for Council Fair to describe what are duties and functions of Council.
- Gaskamp offers closing prayer at 9:18; meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Randall W. Anderson, Secretary

**Annual Congregational Meeting
Lord of Life Lutheran Church
Sunday, January 28, 2018**

Agenda

Call to Order John Duarte

Opening Prayer Pastor Skip

Verification of Quorum Quorum – constituted by voting members present (C10.04)

Approval of Agenda

Review and approval of previous minutes Annual Meeting (January 22, 2017)

Election of two Council members to a three-year term Nominating Committee

2017 Video Highlights

Approval of Ministry Team Reports and Pastor's Report en bloc

All available reports are in the meeting packet. Questions/discussion on any report

Treasurer's Report Jennifer Niedert

Old Business

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New Business

1. 2019 Congregation Council Proposed Budget Dick Fink, Ministry of Finance Team Lead
2. LOLLC Mission Endowment Fund Resolution Dick Fink, Ministry of Finance Team Lead
3. LOLLC Capital Improvement Fund Resolution Dick Fink, Ministry of Finance Team Lead
4. Report of Election Results Nominating Committee
5. Election/Appointment of 2019 Synod Assembly Voting Members
 - LOLLC: One Male/One Female; Allowed One Youth (<18)/Young Adult (18-30)
 - Pre-Assembly Meeting: Sunday, Feb. 18, Immanuel, Pflugerville, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
 - Synod Assembly: Friday – Sunday, May 4-6, Embassy Suites, San Marcos

Closing Prayer Pastor Skip