

Council Minutes: March 26, 2018

Attendance:

Present: Dorothy Datemasch, Mack Flood, Pastor Hybl, Bill Lavalley, Don Schultze, MaryAnn Sinwell, Howard Weigold

Guests: None

Absent: Leanne Salava for part of the meeting

Devotions: Don – (Romans 10: 11-13)

ADMINISTRATIVE

Minutes:

A motion was put forth by Don and seconded by Howard, to approve February's Minutes as corrected and was passed unanimously.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor Hybl provided a report for the month, but didn't include previous comments by council. They'll be included next month.

Pastor provided a summary of the costs that would be involved to attend the Convocation in Denver. Funding was not included in the budget. Books and Educational expenses were budgeted for \$1,000 and so far there is only \$11 spent against it. MaryAnn put forth a motion to use the balance of \$989 and she would cover the rest, including meals to keep the budget whole. Howard seconded the motion, and it passed with the Pastor abstaining.

Pastor would like the Monday and Tuesday after Easter as grace days. Council agreed.

Nancy and Regis Farrell have been approached for the new members' class. Nancy is interested, but it's not clear if Regis is interested. No response has been received from Mark Heyl. At this point no class will be held. Discussions will take place on a one-on-one basis as warranted.

Discussion was held on discipleship.

Pastor will be a member of Bible Camp Board.

Financials:

Bill reviewed February financials. For February we had contributions over \$14,500. Expenses were \$21,879, leaving us with a negative cash flow for the month of almost \$7,400.

Expenses (\$88,587) have outpaced contributions (\$82,190) for the quarter, even though contributions are higher than the same time last year. Expenses were about \$10,000 higher than the same quarter in 2016 (the last quarter we had a pastor). Contributions and expenses need to be closely watched for the rest of the year.

The straight-line budget graph for the year shows us tracking right on the budget.

Most budgets are close to on track. Exceptions are: 7081 at 90% of the budget, 7090 at 150% over budget, 8200 at 70% of budget and 8290 over due to the storm drain. Pastor's moving expenses came in late and hit in this fiscal year.

The bank balance is about \$68,900 versus \$76,000 last month. \$39,772 is for designated funds. The mortgage is down to \$47,715.

Ministry Reports

Christian Life:

Dorothy provided a report in advance of the meeting.

A discussion was held on what needs to be included and by whom in the annual report.

Dan submitted a report on Youth and Family Ministry.

Soul Life:

Worship & Music:

Worship & Music meeting was held March 5th. Bulletin issue was discussed.

Debbie will follow up with people at work to get a quote on TVs in the sanctuary.

Homer sent an email expressing some frustration at not being able to have all the voices needed for the choir.

The bell choir is continuing to improve.

Howard drafted an acolyte schedule and a discussion ensued regarding the problems of getting commitments.

A calendar of services is being put together.

Christian Ed

Detailed minutes from Christian Ed were provided.

Game night will be held in lieu of VBS since no volunteers have come forward to take over VBS. It was also acknowledged that considerable effort was put into VBS, without much benefit from the effort.

Life Stewardship:

Life Stewardship was informed of the decision to limit Pastor Hybl's access, but it was decided that the financial secretaries would alert Pastor in the event of any irregularities

Life Stewardship has deferred the switch to a cloud based system and will stay with a local managed system

Minutes were provided.

God's Property:

A report was submitted in advance.

God's property has set April 21st for spring clean up day. Don and Irv will have a list of jobs that need to be done.

The church exit signs are being updated (replacements have been ordered for about \$250). Don still needs about another \$200 to complete to the project. Bill made a motion to approve the \$200, Dorothy seconded and the motion passed.

Communications:

Dorothy suggested that the Ministry Teams put out communications in the E-News or Herald to let people know about all the activities happening in the congregation.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Next events:

1. Easter Breakfast
2. Mothers' Day
3. Family Sunday School - May

4. Volunteer Appreciation – Candy Bars for the seen and unseen.
5. Youth Service, Graduation & Reception

Mack proposed doing something special for Mothers' Day.

Pastor Hybl and Mack have started a Mutual Ministry list and are soliciting members.

The annual meeting will be on June 3rd and the ministry teams need to plan to have their reports ready for April 29th.

Terrorism Insurance premium rider will be sent to Bob Jordan for review.

Three members' (Mack, Leanne, and MaryAnn) terms will be expiring this May.

Continuing resolutions need to be discussed at the next meeting.

Changes in the church may be occurring with a new Pastor. A discussion was held on how Worship & Music, the Organist Choir Director and Pastor work together.

A Mutual Rescission of Contract was presented to void the OCD contract. Don introduced a motion to accept the rescission and Howard seconded it. It passed. Mack will sign it with Homer and provide it to Amy for church records and a copy to Howard for Worship and music.

A request was submitted and approved by Leanne to borrow tables in June 16-18.

Final meeting minutes will no longer be included in the council meeting.

Pastor read a letter explaining the benevolences for the NALC .

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by MaryAnn, seconded by Dorothy, and carried to adjourn.

Next meeting: April 17th. Leanne will have devotions.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by MaryAnn Sinwell (Secretary)