

**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Council
Meeting Minutes – February 18, 2021 - via Zoom**

Present: Pastor Paul, Belinda Josephson, Cedric Wentzell, Ann Joudrey, Karen Field, Wilfred Feener, Andre Brideau, Marshall Robar, Helen Sarty, Sarah vanderWal and Judy Garber
Regrets: David

1. Call to Order by Belinda at 6:30 pm

Opening Prayer by Sarah

2. Approval of February Agenda – Motion to approve by Wilf; seconded by Helen

3. Approval of January 21st Minutes: Motion to approve by Ann; seconded Karen

4. Financial Report: Surplus as of Jan 31st = \$1225; Tech donations = \$1400 (approx. \$2000 towards new camera); Year-to-date overall = \$53,135
Andre moved for the adoption of his report; seconded by Helen

5. Pastor's Report: First evening Bible Study on Sunday Feb 14th, 8 people attended. More prayer books have been ordered.

6. Old Business:

a)AGM on Feb 21st - need 25 for quorum (weather is iffy).

NOTE: 2020 AGM Minutes - Amendment to be made -

Don Himmelman served 6 years on Council but only 3 years as Church Council Chair.

Per new Constitution, new nominees need to serve a 2-year term (not 3-yr term) on Council
Decision to keep note on 'uniting our two Sunday Services to one Service'

b. COVID 19 Update: Church procedures doing fine but need to stay diligent with following rules.

c. Lifetime Candles (Advent & Christ): At present, both are having 25% off until April 5th. A request will be made to Congregation for possible donations to help cover the cost of these items. Notes to be placed on both Facebook and the Pulse to notify Congregational members (prices included).

Motion made by Marshall to proceed to order all candles while 25% off available;

Seconded by Wilf

Motion Passed

7. Correspondence: None

8. Ministry "Team" Reports:

a. Property: Water problem cleaned-up by Marshall/Cedric. New Humidifier may need to be purchased.

b. Worship/Praise: Karen reported -

- Sanitizer wipes purchased
- all Christmas services appreciated
- 160 attended 3 Christmas Services
- decorations were wonderful
- mic problem corrected
- five Lutherans attended 'Week of Prayer' Service
- Olive completed the Annual report
- meeting scheduled on April 17th (10 am) to discuss having more Contemporary Services in the future
- enjoyed Medley of songs performed at Feb 14th Service
- palms ordered for decorations only
- virtual service planned for March 5th, at 2 pm

c. Stewardship: Virtual meeting planned for week of Feb 22nd

d. Fellowship: No report

e. Learning: Meeting held on Monday, Jan 25th

Session with David Csinos planned for month of October 2021

Decision to be made in April re: Sunday School preparation

f. Tech Team: New camera working great. A table will be needed to house this camera. A training session to operate this camera will be planned for Sat Feb 27th.

9. New Business:

a. 2021 Assembly: Dates are June 25 & 26/21 - Suzanne Joudrey has volunteered to attend. Julie Ramey's name will be forwarded for National Synod Rep 2022, by April 25/21.

b. Summer Students (2): Sheena will receive all information from both Federal and Provincial Governments.

Sheena's position needs to be advertised (maternity leave). Andre will cover accounting issues for 6 weeks and be paid for this work. Various steps to be taken to find Sheena's replacement for other office duties (Facebook and note in next Pulse).

Action: Sheena and Ann

c. Cushions for Church Pews: Tabled

(In-Camera Session, if necessary)

10. Closing Prayer by Pastor Paul

Adjournment at 8:15 pm

Respectfully submitted Judy Garber, Secretary

Approved: