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St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes – March 21, 2021 (after Church)

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

1. Call to Order by Belinda

Opening Prayer by David

Welcome to Madi Whalen, Youth rep

- **2. Approval of March Agenda** Motion to approve by Helen; seconded by Ann **Addition:** 'Parking Lot' under New Business
- **3. Approval of February 21st Minutes:** Motion to approve by Karen; seconded by Wilf **One amendment:** Five members of St.Paul's attended the World Day of Prayer Service at the United Church.
- **4. Financial Report:** Deficit at end of February = \$5,803.51; Surplus Year-to-date = \$53,135 Received from Urquhart estate = \$20,000; New Camera is mostly paid for. Sarah moved for the adoption of Andre's report; seconded by David
- **5. Pastor's Report:** Wednesday Bible Study is going very well. Paul is busy with Programs. During Paul's upcoming vacation, Peter Oickle will do April 11th Service.
- 6. Old Business:
- **a)National Assembly in 2022 -** Julie Ramey's papers are to be sent by April 25th. Karen is providing information to Julie to complete such papers.
- **b. COVID 19 Update:** Church procedures are doing fine. Three singers will be permitted for Easter Services. A third mic will be added.
- c. Lifetime Candles (Advent & Christ): Candles will arrive the week of March 22nd.
- 7. Correspondence: None
- 8. Ministry "Team" Reports:
- a. Property: Parking Lot Concerns
- **b. Worship/Praise:** Karen reported that 3 singers will now be allowed at Services. Upon contact with Doug Wentzell, he will not be able to continue as our organist. He has given us permission to use his pre-recorded music on our memory sticks.

Action: Judy

Thank You card will be sent to Doug

- c. Stewardship:
- d. Fellowship:
- e. Learning:

f. Tech Team: Marshall will install the 3rd mic in the Church

9. New Business:

- **a. Summer Students:** Response has been received from both Federal and Provincial governments.
- b. **Cushions for Church Pews:** Discussed and decision was made to ask members to bring their own cushions to Church.
- **c. One Sunday Service:** A meeting is scheduled for Sat. April 17th, 10 am, to discuss this issue. Council members were encouraged to attend.
- **d. Membership/Council Prayer List:** Discussion. Sarah spent many hours preparing this list. Corrections can be given to Sheena to change. Further work is needed to properly update our membership list.
- **e.Church Insurance Renewal:** Information received for renewal but no Policy information was attached. Our broker has advised us of a large increase in costs. Discussion held on whether we should explore our options locally.

Action: Belinda

f. Parking Lot: There have been people parking in our lot during the day. Notes have been placed in car windows but parking persists.

Discussion

Property Team will further pursue (notes to state possible fee to park and limit to five cars per day to park).

Action: Cedric, Marshall and Pastor Paul

NOTE: COVID remains a main concern for many members.

The 10 am Sunday Service is very popular amongst our Congregation members.

Helen will be the stand-by Usher for Easter Services.

Madi: Youth contacts have been made via Facebook. No solid plans made to meet to date.

(In-Camera Session, if necessary)

10. Closing Prayer by Pastor Paul

Adjournment at 12:15 pm

Respectfully submitted Judy Garber, Secretary

Approved:

March 21/21 - Andre reported later that this is a good time (current surplus) to repay our non-forgivable portion of CEBA loan of \$40,000 - Andre making a motion to repay CEBA loan of \$40,00 by April 1/21;

Seconded by Sarah (via email).

Motion Passed