

**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Council
Meeting Minutes – January 9, 2022 via Zoom @ 11:15**

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

1. Call to Order by Belinda

Opening Prayer by Ann

2. Approval of January Agenda – Motion to approve as presented by Helen, seconded by Ann

3. Approval of December Minutes: Motion to approve by Ann; seconded by David
One amendment: Betty Lou Smith will head the Altar Guild.

4. Financial Report: December general fund surplus: +\$3,505 2021 Surplus: +\$7,484
Accumulated surplus (2020 and 2021) +\$59,394
Donation of \$10,000 was received the month of December.
Financial Review to be on Monday, January 10/22.

Andre moved adoption of his reports sent via email, seconded by David Motion Passed

5. Pastor's Report: Rev. Paul's report was accepted as sent via email.
Worship Retreat to be scheduled at a later date in 2022.

6. Old Business:

a. COVID 19 Update:

It was recommended by Eastern Synod to keep churches closed due to ++cases of COVID. Our building is now locked - ring the bell when need to enter for any reason. Teams will be encouraged to meet via Zoom.

Discussion re: David's music students (David to contact Karen for guidance for the next few weeks).

Community Cafe continues with 50% capacity (Sarah to make contact with Tammy).

b. Electrical Repairs: Work is complete and invoice paid in full.

c. Virtual Services: Services are going well but with some sound issues. New/better parts have been ordered, as audio/video cables need to be upgraded. Marshal will also check the mic used by Rev. Paul. There are some issues in accessing the livestream Services.

7. Correspondence: Julie's project for January 30th Service to be emailed to Council members.

Hall Use: Any requests for hall usage are to follow the Rental Agreement (no charge for Outreach ministry).

8. Ministry “Team” Reports:

a. Property Team: Peter’s proposal sent via email to Council members re: Installation of Heat Pumps

This proposal needs to be discussed with our Congregation for approval to proceed - Sunday January 30th is the suggested date (before our AGM February 20th).

The main issue is ordering the necessary equipment/parts soon to take advantage of limited time government funding.

Discussion - Sarah moved to accept Peter’s recommendation (Ministry Team), in principle, to start the process of installing heat pumps, pending the approval of Congregation on January 30th; seconded by Karen Motion Passed

These upgrades to install 10 heat pumps will also require a new electrical panel, which will eventually help with future plans to have solar panels.

b. Worship Team: Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 13th, via Zoom. The new music format received praise, as well as the office staff for their continued improvements in sending Worship Information to our Congregation.

c. Stewardship: Team has no meeting scheduled.

d. Fellowship: No report

e. Learning: Next meeting is Tuesday, January 11th, via Zoom

f. Technology: Andre and Marshall are continuing to ‘iron out’ some issues and will keep Council informed via email.

Annual Team reports will be organized by Sheena for our upcoming AGM on Feb 20th (storm date Feb 27th), assisted by Lucille.

Nominating Cttee: Cedric & Helen

3 Council members are to be replaced in the coming year (Belinda, Cedric and Wilfred).

9. New Business:

a. Altar Guild: (Ann Joudrey will be the new leader in 2022.)

Later reported that BettyLou Smith will be the new leader.

b. Membership List: Our list needs major revisions. The Constitution’s criteria will be followed for actual membership. Discussion

A small committee will be formed to check “power church” and revise the membership list (Sarah, Paul, Lucille and Marshall).

10. Closing Prayer by Rev Paul

Next meeting: Sunday, February 13th, at 11:15 am

Respectfully submitted Judy Garber, Secretary

Approved: