

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Council
Meeting Minutes – Feb 12, 2023, 11:15 am

Present: Karen Field, Andre Brideau, Marshall Robar, Helen Sarty, Ann Joudrey, Peter Oickle, Rev Paul, David Zwicker, Tammy Crouse, Judy Garber, Betsy Knickle, and Sarah vanderWal

1. Call to Order by Karen

Opening Prayer by Judy
March 2023 - Ann

2. Approval of Feb Agenda: Addition to New Business – Seniors Meetings
Approved by Consensus

3. Approval of Jan Minutes: Motion to adopt her minutes - Judy, seconded by Sarah

4. Financial Report: **January** General Fund + \$438
2023 General Fund surplus (Jan 1-Jan 31) = \$438
Accumulated general fund surplus (2020-2023) = \$37,462

Income Statement: Offerings up \$1,797 from January 2022
Room rentals up \$960 from January 2022
Employee compensation up \$537 from Jan, 2022
\$0 for January 2023 utility expenses, but will expect large power bill in February
\$253 spent for new Smart TV church lobby
\$276 spent for Pancake supper supplies (Feb 21)

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

5. Pastor's Report: Rev. Paul's report was accepted as sent via email
Rev Paul requested vacation - April 11-25 (2 weeks) Approved by Consensus

6. Old Business:

- a. **Urquhart donation:** \$55,000 received to date
- b. **Comfort Centre Update:** Not an official site but on our own (address in the fall 2023)
- c. **Treasurer's Position:** It is important to fill our Office Admin first. Andre agreed to help for extended time, if necessary.
- d. **Ukrainian Aid:** Whatever collected has been (\$720.59) delivered

7. Correspondence: None

8. Ministry Teams Reports:

- a. **Property Team:** Elevator issue (part ordered);
Main Church doors are partially repaired; Oil leak completed.

b. Worship Team: Meeting to be held on Feb 13th. 9am Services to start on Sunday, Feb 26th - no live stream; Ash Wednesday Service being planned (7 pm, Feb 22nd); Lent Services also being planned; Peter will do the two Services when Rev Paul is on vacation (April 16 & 23).

c. Stewardship: Request for another person to have access to the office safe.

Helen made motion that Ann have the combination to Office Safe, seconded by Peter

Motion Passed

d. Fellowship: No meeting held - to be revised in the future.

e. Learning: No report

Discussion on Intergenerational Projects - Julie Ramey to be consulted.

f. Technology: New Smart TV installed in Entry

g. Energy: Future project A 'Phone Tree' to be organized for calling to obtain interest in assisting with this future project.

h. Music: David has interest in establishing a Children's Choir

i. HR: Meeting held re: filling 2 positions. Brian Carver, Belinda Josephson and Rev Paul to do the interviews.

j. Anniversary: Meeting to be on Feb 28th. List of congregation members needed for Photos by October 2023. 2024 - Our Bishop will be here for both May 4th dinner and will do May 5th Service.

9. New Business:

a. Pastoral Succession: On AGM Agenda - This team to take the 'lead' when conversation is necessary with our Congregation for a full time vs part time Pastor.

b. Outreach Team: Tammy has offered to be Chair. This Team hopes to have some notes in the next Pulse (setting-up team).

c. AED: Since our renovations, the signage for AED has not been put back on our Church. Marshall will deal with this issue. Training to use this device may be necessary.

d. Hall Rentals: Meeting of Office Staff, Rev Paul and Karen. Agreed to have flat fee of \$160 for special occasions within the Church.

Peter made a motion to have changes applied to hall rental policy, seconded by Helen

Motion Passed

e. Office Admin Position: This position needs to be filled - Tammy & Peter to post ADs for a 2-week period (\$17/hour depending on experience).

f. National Assembly: If we can still participate, Tammy or Betsy have interest in attending (Calgary) - June 28 to July 2nd.

g. Seniors' Meetings: Peter & Virginia would like to try and hold 2hr- morning meetings come the month of April (eg: Bible Study). Council gave okay to pursue.

Note: Any donations to our Church - Policy is to accept and send confirmation of receipt.

10. Closing Prayer by Pastor Paul

Next meeting: Sunday March 12 at 11:15

Respectfully submitted by Judy Garber, Secretary

Approved: