

**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Council**  
**Meeting Minutes – Jan 15, 2023 @ 11:15**

**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 Helen**  
**February 2023 - Judy**

**2. Approval of Jan Agenda:** 2 additions to New Business

1) Shrove Tuesday & 2) Outreach Ministry

Approved by Consensus

**3. Approval of Dec Minutes:** Motion to Approve by Ann, seconded by Helen

**4. Financial Report:** December General Fund Surplus = \$9,561

2022 General Fund deficit (Jan 1-Dec 31) = \$22,370

Accumulated general fund surplus (2020-2022) = \$37,024

**Income Statement:** Offerings up \$2,800 from December 2021 due to \$2,000 donation from Rock Church; \$740 received toward heat pumps; Room rentals up \$254 from December 2021; \$1,200 refund from Irving (oil expense)

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 replied to Pastor Chris in regards to the \$2,000 donation.

**6. Old Business:**

**a. Urquhart donation:** \$15,000 placed in Property Project Fund.

**b. December donations:** Included in surplus \$37,024

**c. Ukrainian Aid:** No report (funds on hand = \$720.59)

**d. Right Now Media:** Account cancelled as of today, Jan. 15th

**7. Correspondence:** Resignation note from Sheena read by Rev Paul

**8. Ministry Teams Reports:**

**a. Property Team:** Main Church doors need to be replaced - repair to be completed this coming week (Jan 16-20)

**b. Worship Team:** Meeting to be on Jan 19th

**c. Stewardship:** Meeting scheduled for Jan 19th.

Questions: Team reports are to be submitted by the end of January.

Lunch for AGM - Sandra Meisner will be approached to arrange.

**d.Fellowship:** No meeting held

**e. Learning:** No meeting held/no interest in planning for Sunday School.

Discussion on Intergenerational Projects - Julie Ramey to be consulted.

**f. Technology:** Fine for now

**g. Energy:** Lengthy discussion on whether to pursue the Comfort Centre Project (Peter is investigating a Provincial Grant to purchase a Generator for our Church Hall). A 'Phone Tree' to be organized for calling to obtain interest in assisting with this future project.

**h. Music:** No report

**i. HR:** Custodian has been made a Church employee position, No need for annual review.

**j. Anniversary:** List of congregation members needed for Photos by October 2023.

## **9. New Business:**

**a.Pastoral Succession:** This team to take the 'lead' when conversation is necessary with our Congregation for a full time Pastor.

**b. 2023 Budget:** To be presented at AGM, date of March 5th (storm date March 12), 2023. Review of Budget by Darlene Slauenwhite and Lucille Wentzell completed.

**c. Treasurer Position:** 3 names given by Karen F. to be called for interest in this position (16-hour week). Tammy has volunteered to assist with bookkeeping, if needed.

**d. AGM Sunday March 5th:** Lucille has offered to do the paperwork for this meeting. Nominations - replacement for Helen (one name has been offered); replacement for Andre and an extra one, if possible.

**e. Shrove Tuesday:** Feb 21st - Peter to organize. Open invite, pancake supper at 5 pm.

**f. Outreach Ministry:** There are 4 people ready to start focusing on Outreach programs for elderly/shut-ins

Motion made by Tammy to add an Outreach Ministry Team to our Church Council;  
seconded by Ann

Motion Passed

## **10. Closing Prayer by Pastor Paul**

Next meeting: Sunday February 12 at 11:15

Respectfully submitted by Judy Garber, Secretary

Approved: