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**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Council
Meeting Minutes – June 9, 2024, 11:15 am**

Present: Peter Oickle, Karen Corkum, Judy Garber, Andre Brideau, Ann Joudrey, Sandra Schnare, David Zwiicker, Marshall and Eve Steenbeek

Absent: Regrets by Betsy Knickle, Rev Paul on vacation

1. Called to Order

Opening Prayer by David

2. Approval of June Agenda: Adopted Agenda with Additions - Sandra and Ann

3. Approval of May Minutes: Motion to adopt May minutes as circulated by Judy

Approved by Consensus

4. Financial Report: Andre reviewed his May report with Council

Highlights: May general fund surplus = \$3,810
2024 general fund surplus (Jan to May 31) = \$8,914
Accumulated general fund surplus remaining = \$41,115

General fund offerings were down \$590 from May 2023
Memorial donations up (Cedric Wentzell)
Room rental revenue up related to SODA
Salary & Benefits costs up due to COLA (cost of living arrangements)
Parking Lot expense (\$894 - fence repair)
Anniversary Supper expenses
Urquhart Estate, final donation = \$7,837
Cost of Amazon Membership to be Cancelled

Andre moved the adoption of his Financial Report, seconded by David Motion Passed

5. Pastor's Report: Approved by Consensus

Vacation request - July 21 to August 3

Discussion followed on the format of Summer Services. Decision made to have one Service at 10 am - alternate Services (Contemporary & Traditional)

Schedule	July 7	Contemporary	August 4	Anniversary
	July 14	Traditional	August 11	Traditional
	July 21	Testimonial	August 18	Camp Mush Service
	July 28	Traditional	August 25	Traditional

Information will be circulated to our Congregation.
Come September, Services back to regular 9 and 10 am Services.

6. Old Business:

a. Update Temporary Winter Emerg Shelter:

SODA issues to be kept more confidential.

b. Model Ministry, Lunenburg County: Information from May 25th meeting circulated. Peter reported that no one from Congregation volunteered to sit on the Shared Ministry Council. A name is needed by June 16th for this Council.

Marshall volunteered his name to be put forth as St.Paul's Rep.

Andre made motion to accept Marshall as our Rep, seconded by Sandra Motion Passed

7. Correspondence: Letter from Transition Team (under New Business)

8. Ministry Team Reports

a) Property: Discussion on parking lot surface. Quote for paving to be obtained (Marshall)

Hall doors need replacement - Peter had a quote from Bridgewater Glass re: double steel doors.

Domestic doors are less expensive. Discussion

Motion by Marshall to pursue Bridgewater Glass for more durable steel doors,

seconded by Eve

Motion Passed

Andre voted 'NO' to this motion.

b) Worship: Next meeting to be on July 9th

c) Stewardship: Melinda resigned. Ann Fancey has joined. Andre to continue 1-page financial report to this Team.

d. Learning: No VBS this summer.

e. Technology:

f. Energy: Solar Panels still being investigated.

g. Music: Concert on June 2 a big success.

h. HR:

i. Anniversary Team: BBQ being planned

j. Seniors's Program: September meeting is being considered.

k. Outreach: Eve to meet with Rev Paul

9. New Business:

a. Transition Ministry Team: Next meeting June 12th. Discussed coverage for Services end of this year (Paul's departure). A letter has been sent to Retired Pastors - not all have replied. A reminder will be sent - more info for September Council meeting.

b. Youth Ministry: Request for monies to be set aside for Youth Ministry at St. Paul's. Money has already been designated in the 2024 budget for this Ministry.

c. Coverage for Gail's vacation (July 2, 4 &5): Council felt no need for coverage for these 3 days.

d. Memorial Stone: Cost of stone selected a bit more than \$3,000 (amount \$3,168).

Council accepted the extra cost.

Consensus.

10. Closing Prayer by Peter

Next Council meeting: Sunday, September 15 at 11:15 am

Respectfully submitted by Judy Garber, Secretary

Approved: