



## Church Council Meeting Minutes

June 29, 2008

1. Meeting was called to order: by Joe Chamberlain at 11:15 am.  
Present: Pastor John, Kara Wilcox, Cindy Loken, Diane Peters, Brett Henbest, Steve Shoudy, Jan Ethington, Eric Drake, Dan King, Dan Syverson, Matt Wehby  
Excused: Allan Peters, Gary Powalish  
Absent:
2. Opening devotion given and snack provided by Steve Shoudy. The topic of devotions was that we should show up for God.
3. Approval of Minutes May 18, 2008. Motion to accept the minutes by Diane and seconded by Dan S. Approved.
4. Assignment for feedback about this meeting: Joe will put a summary in the Cross and Crownicle.
5. Correspondence:
  - Thanks from Lutherdale for gift of \$600
  - Thanks from ELCA for benevolence gifts
  - Thanks from Jan for Synod Assembly trip.
  - Katie's Cup – July 27<sup>th</sup>. Bake sale/donations. Cindy will write an article for the C and C.
6. Pastor John's Comments:
  - . Synod Assembly. Men's retreat. Pastor will be gone in Aug 11 to 16. Barb's father died in WY. She'll be gone for a week and a half. Looking for office help.
7. Membership: Strategies: Task force for long range planning has been meeting. A letter and card that will be sent to the congregation is in our packets. Congregational meetings of 8 to 16 people will be held in September.  
Task force on member involvement. Jan and Kara. Their report is included in our packets.
8. Committee Reports
  - Building and Grounds: The minutes from their meeting are in our packets. They are planning another worknight. A tree split in front of church during the last storm. The fire marshall said smoke alarms need to be installed into the alarm system to get up to code.
  - Education: There will be a new summer program for kids doing arts and crafts in the Sunday school area after the children's sermon. VBS had its largest attendance in history.
  - Evangelism: The minutes from their May meeting were in our packets. The committee needs a council representative. They usually meet on Tuesday evenings.
  - Finance/Treasurer's Report. Steve gave the financial report. General fund down \$6k ytd. The building fund is up by \$1300. The actual receipts were \$19k for May. The budgeted amount was \$21k. The disbursements were \$2300 more than the income in May. The ytd income is up by \$5423 compared to ytd for 2007. Erik moves to approve report. Diane seconded. The finance report is approved.
  - Treasurer's report:
  - Preschool Committee. Kara is the representative. She submitted the preschool committee minutes that she received after their meeting.
  - Social Concerns: The minutes were included in the council members packets. The committee is going to do a workshop to explore needs of what we can do for LWR and Carpenter's Place. Jan and Cindy attended the Carpenter's Place luncheon on 6-26.
  - Stewardship: Did not meet in June.
  - Worship and Music: The handbell set is off for repair. People can still buy a bell to fund the repair. The committee wrote their critical objectives.

- Youth Ministry: Did not meet. Thirty-three people are at workcamp this week. Craig Carey coordinated a guitar hero evening and moonlight bowling. The committee may do some combined events with other churches.
- Sign task force: No activity.
- Audit Committee: No activity.
- Personnel Committee: will be meeting today.
- Nominating Committee: No activity.
- Earned Income Task Force: Dan Syverson. The art fair has been cancelled. Brett reported that the wine tasting earned \$200 plus. The food was overboard and cut into the profits. It was a fun social event. The breakeven point was approximately 30 people and about 40 attended. Ideas for fall fundraiser include a pig roast, golf play day, worship outdoors with meal after the service. Rally day is September 14<sup>th</sup>. Having a pig roast on rally day was discussed, with having a field day or games during last service to keep the kids entertained.

9. Other business:

Joe has the suggestion box ready. Two suggestions have been made so far. One is to have 2 services all year, not 3. A possible earned income idea is to have a huge rummage sale on the church grounds.

Dan S will call the earned income committee together to discuss the rummage sale idea. Linda Heideman suggested it. She will be asked to be on the committee.

The meeting was closed with a prayer and adjourned at 1:03 pm.

The next meeting is August 17<sup>th</sup>. Snacks and devotion will be provided by Dan Syverson.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Loken  
Secretary