

## **Campus Lutheran Church Council Minutes**

### **May 4, 2023**

Attendees: Mark Kruse, Barry Steevens, Tim Sullivan, Pastor Kent Pierce, John Sponaugle, Kristy Kruse, Chris Lohmann, Sarah Pellis, Luke Lilienkamp, Rachel Skrabal, Guest Tony Zehlne.

Opening Devotion - Pastor Kent - based on the Good Shepherd theme from 1 Peter 2:25, and Psalm 23.

Approval of Agenda - Motion to approve by John Sponaugle, Seconded by Luke Lilienkamp, Agenda approved by voice vote.

Minutes of Special April Council Meeting: April Council Meeting Minutes Motion to approve by Tim Sullivan, Seconded by Luke Lilienkamp, Minutes approved by voice vote.

### **Reports**

1. Treasurer's Report - Chris Lohmann see Treasurer's Report for March 2023

2. Financial Secretary Report - John Sponaugle - No Report

3 Pastor's Report - Pastor Kent see Pastor's Report May 2023

Installation of officers will take place June 25th at 8:30 service.

Call committee for the potential DCE to replace Craig has been appointed. The committee consists of the new council members, along with members Alan Huggins, Laura Roth, and Melissa Slatinsky. Motion made by John Sponaugle to accept these three members as the initial call committee and to direct them to begin the call process. They will work with, and report to, the council. Second by Luke Lilienkamp. Motion approved by voice vote.

Beth Greimann's official start date as part-time interim director of Grace Road will be marked as March 20, 2023. Pastor

Kent will work with Chris Lohmann on the payroll aspect of this position, as well as writing up an employment agreement.

Our Building Use policy and application process should be reviewed annually and perhaps modified from the current wording. Renting the facility as a public building is not legally recommended. Additionally, the custodial services for any event need to be provided by the group using the facility.

## **Board Reports**

- **Elders** - Barry Steevens

Three elders elected April 30, 2023 at the Church Congregational Meeting for a one year term during 2023-2024 are :

John Zimmerschied

Barry Steevens

Blake Trickey

Three new confirmands to be recognized Confirmation Sunday, May 7, are:

Rylan Huggins

Abraham Zachary

Levi Vaughn

- **Outreach** - Tim Sullivan - two signs stating “You are now entering the mission field” have been ordered for the parking lot exits.

- **Christian Education** - MaryEllen Lohmann

Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8 was a success—65 children attended with their families for an estimated total of 130 people at the event and about 1/3 of the group was internationals.

Attendees and volunteers seemed pleased. Thanks to the many wonderful donations from members, we didn’t have to buy any candy and had enough to leave some as a thank you to the youth for their help with the event.

The main improvements for next year would be better audio capabilities in the Community Life Center, adding a written element that describes more about what Easter is for our international friends.

GRACE Road Bibles were given to upper elementary members. It was a blessing to see all those families up front!

VBS Retreat – June 23 – 25 (fourth weekend)

Staying with the weekend format. The theme called “Stellar” is all about space, which we will share with the Alaska Mission Team.

Beth Greimann is coordinating this event. Please let her know if you are willing to help at [beth.greimann@gmail.com](mailto:beth.greimann@gmail.com).

- **Stewardship** - Rachel Skrabal - The celebration Sunday committee event was well attended and many members were appreciative for the one service and fellowship that followed. Assuming we will do this again, we would appreciate your feedback to improve on what we have done. How could we encourage more members to attend? When would this fit into our church calendar for the next year? Could a celebration Sunday be added to the spending plan for next year?  
I am thankful for a great committee who were creative and worked well together: April McAdams, Chris Brown, Chris Vaughn, Darlene Kruse, Deb Linneman, Heidi Duque, Katie Brown.
- **Fellowship** - Chris Vaughn - Easter Brunch went well. Thanks to Joy Lilienkamp for heading up the brunch, and the delicious food. We will have a Mothers Day treat on May 14.
- **Social Ministry** - Sarah Pellis - investigating the possibility of holding a blood drive for the American Red Cross in the late summer or early fall season. There will be ongoing collections throughout the remainder of the year for various local service organizations.
- **Student Ministry** - Thomas Senter - no report.
- **Youth Ministry** - MaryAnne Wolfmeyer - the equivalent of over 10,000 meals were collected for the food bank, and the Wardrobe will be receiving the donated clothing.
- **Communication** - Mark will work with Chris Lohmann to determine the budget for new computers.
- **Church Properties** - Mark Brakhane - no report.

## **Old Business**

1. Governance Implementation Update - Policies are in progress, but content is still being written. Team charters need to be completed.

2. Onward Mission Plan Review - started by Pastor Kent.

3. Sanctuary Lighting - No word from electricians on performing the work. Withrow said no, Pinnacle has given no response. May reach out to Voss lighting and see who they may recommend.

4. Shared Ministry with Good Shepherd - Prayer team will start in a couple weeks. A trial run will be done on May 10th, with go live on May 17th. Will be using Compline order of service.

5. Sound system for Community Life Center - Mark and Luke will look at our current equipment and see where we are with supplies. Primary investigation will be how to use wireless microphones.

6. Beta Sig Dumpster - Guest Tony Zehlne, Property Manager for the Beta Sig Alumni Board, spoke to the latest update on sharing a dumpster with the Beta Sig house next door. A need for outdoor space improvements at the house is impacting plans on where to place the dumpster. Tony presented mockup drawings that would show the possible changes to the church parking lot and the Beta Sig house. Questions arose regarding the size of the dumpster required, size of the truck required to empty it, frequency of emptying, whether it could be locked, etc. We will need answers to these (and more) questions before decisions can be made.

New Business - Do we want/need to continue to ticket vehicles on Sunday mornings? Council recommends the process continues with discretion, as needed throughout the year.

Adjourned at 7:56 PM, Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Reminders: Next council meeting - June 1, 2023