

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING--August 12, 2008

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Terry Hepola at 7:40 PM with the following Council Member present: Pastor Holtan, Sheri Johnson, Julie Baumgart, Lisa Peterson, Cindy Olson, Linda Mickelson, Harvey Kraabel, Connie Mort, Randy Jensen and Cindy Hurt. Also Present: Shirley Pauna, Ron Ringsven, and Randy Graham.

Devotions: Cindy Olson led the Council in devotions and prayer.

Officers' Reports

Secretary's Report

Action: Pastor Holtan moved, Cindy Olson seconded the following: Be it resolved that the minutes from the July 8, 2008 meeting be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Action: Harvey Kraabel moved, Sheri Johnson seconded the following: Be it resolved that the minutes from the July 15, 2008 special council meeting be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Action: Harvey Kraabel moved, Lisa Peterson seconded the following: Be it resolved that the minutes from the August 5, 2008 special council meeting be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Randy Graham presented the treasurer's report as follows:

	July Rev.	June Exp	June Balance	YTD Balance
General Fund	\$30,034.47	\$27,325.84	\$2,708.63	(\$6,088.00)
Building Fund	\$ 8,060.00	\$ 5,832.00	\$2,228.00	(\$3,677.32)

Action: Harvey Kraabel moved, Linda Mickelson seconded to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

Education- Tracy Bieger is working on Sunday School scheduled to start on Rally Sunday, September 7, 2008. Installation of Sunday school teachers will also take place that day.

Personnel – Request to add approval of Rob McNair's contract to the agenda.

Property – The church telephone system was damaged by lightning and must be replaced. The old phones may be used with the new \$4500 system and a \$200 caller ID card will be added. The church will incur the deductible and co-pay for a cost of approximately \$1500 - \$1800 paid from the contingency fund.

Social Ministry- A meal ministry is combining Bible study with food preparation. These dishes will be kept in the freezer for emergency distribution needs. The Habitat house is progressing satisfactorily. The committee is working on rewriting the Parish Nurse job description.

Stewardship – The special offering for Joe Johnson, the seminarian was \$2,776. Discussion on whether this should be added to the budget. The committee is considering an "Ask, Thank, Tell, Show" presentation to be projected before the services illustrating projects and gifts.

Worship- The handbell proposal was presented. The structure of the worship committee was discussed, more people to be involved. Russ Bunker will be on vacation from August 18 through August 31, 2008. Volunteers will fill in at services.

Evangelism – Welcomes for new staff should be organized by committee chairs, Youth & Family Director and Stephen/Caring Ministries Coordinator on September 14th and Education Coordinator on September 24th.

Discussion Items

Jubilee Anniversary – Lisa Peterson. Presentation of preliminary budget and committees for Jubilee, also progress report to date. The Jubilee year will stretch from September 2009 to September 2010 with the actual celebration to be held sometime in June or July, 2010.

Long Range Fund Raising Goals: The goals discussed were parking lot blacktop, projection equipment and handbell choir. Each was presented with approximate costs and the council was asked for its opinion on priority.

Update of Stephen/Caring Ministries Coordinator: Ron Ringsven reported survey results from surrounding congregations on their Stephen Ministry programs regarding the health and growth of the program at their churches. The job description is being updated and the position advertised. Interviews will be held the week of August 18th.

Action Items

Approve Building Use Form: Tabled for next month's meeting.

Approve Annual Meeting Change. Action: *Harvey Kraabel moved Julie Baumgart seconded to accept the proposal to change the annual meeting date to October 12, 2008. Motion carried.*

Fundraising Requests.

Action: *Sheri Johnson moved Linda Mickelson seconded to approve the pancake breakfast on August 31, proceeds to the Jubilee and broadcast equipment. Thrivent matching funds will be available. Motion carried.*

Action: *Sheri Johnson moved Pastor seconded to approve the youth selling wreathes November 2nd and November 9th. Motion carried.*

Action: *Sheri Johnson moved Harvey Kraabel seconded to reject the request for a quilt raffle by the Miss Perham Foundation. Raffles are not approved in the church building. Motion carried.*

Action: *Harvey Kraabel moved Cindy Olson seconded to approve contract offered to Rob McNair as the Youth & Family Director beginning September 2, 2008. Motion carried.*

Adjournment: President Hepola adjourned the meeting at 10:14 PM and the Council closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Connie Mort