

Trinity Lutheran Church Congregation Council Agenda

Monday, February 11th – 7 p.m.

WORKSHOP MEETING Minutes

DEVOTIONS – Eileen Schultz

REFRESHMENTS – Maira Rogers

1. Call to Order & Devotion – 7 pm

- a. Council Roster : Present: Kevin Seidel, Scott Miller, Sharon Matschke, Kim Kleindienst, Erin DeKorte, Maira Rogers, Sandy Sheridan, Eileen Schultz, Suzanne Capps, Gary Tarantino, Key Darrow, Russ Pullis, Pastor Fred, Bev Dominkowicz, John Sienkiewicz; Absent: Sandi Knowle

2. Actions taken by Executive Team

- a. Goddard Gift: Submitted paperwork and awaiting next steps
- b. Retreat- Plan to have this in the Spring 2019 timeframe
- c. B Meeting Topic/ Ideas: Executive Team came up with multiple topics: 1st impressions, Food Pantry, Mission/Vision Statement, Long Range planning, Council recruitment, Evangelism & Marketing, New Ministry, Generosity Team (grow this group)
- d. Mutual Ministry Team- Due to conflict, the VP of the Council (Scott Miller) will be a member as current President spouse is on this committee already. This was approved by the council.

3. Matters Requiring Attention

- a. March Helping Page-reminder to fill in your time spot (Faith Kitchen) on the Google Doc so time during our council meeting will not be spent on this.
- b. Move money from the Delany Fund into operating balance due to shortfall. Approved by council.

4. Pastoral Concerns - none

5. Correspondence- Zion Lutheran is donating \$3,000 to replace the counter top/cabinets in the Faith Kitchen.

6. WORKSHOP – First Impressions

- a. Ice Breaker- Group participated in an ice breaker and then broke into 3 groups to work on how to improve people's First Impression when coming to Trinity.
- b. Defining First Impressions-group define what are First Impressions.
- c. Areas of Focus: 1) Online/ Digital First Impression, 2) Building First Impression, 3) Welcome/Greeter Process at Trinity.
- d. Goals / Outcomes from Groups: **Online/Digital**: immediate goal is to correct errors and to ensure the website contains current information; Make worship times more prominent , Short term goals- to move categories around and add more links; Long term goals – to add more pictures/ movies; Capital Improvement- get a paid person to update the church website: **Building**: group visited areas of church that needed

improvements. Suggestions were: put a welcome sign above door to direct people where to enter church, make sure existing outside lighted sign is lite up and make sure display is not faded by the sunlight; Moving current sign in front to side of building; Once inside church more direction on where to enter to sanctuary, Capital Improvement- take out walls around the library so everything is open. **Welcome/Greeter Process:** discussion on current process and shortfall of communication with new person to engage them to join the church and exact timeline for membership. Short term goals- Review current Greeter instructions, training for congregation and recruitment for greeters for Sunday. Long term goals-Make updates to the greeter instructions, moving the guest book to a more prominent place at church.

All 3 groups will get together prior to our next Council meeting and report out there on their progress.

7. Closing Prayers

8. Adjournment- at 9:00 PM- Respectfully submitted by Sharon Matschke- Council Secretary

Next Executive Team: Meeting: Monday February 25th – 7:00 PM .

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