

ROSEVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH
DRAFT Congregational Council Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2011

1. Call to Order

The Council meeting was called to order by Bill Metzger in the church lounge at 7:00 pm. Council members Bill Metzger, Scott Cordes, Larry Gunderson, Brian Heuer, Dave Lorenz, Marlaine Maahs, Carol Solie, David Werner and Kathy Pedersen were present. Pastors Craig Hanson and David Hanson were also in attendance.

2. Opening Prayer and Devotion

David Werner led devotions.

3. Approval of Agenda

Agenda was approved.

4. Review and Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Bill M. moved for the approval of the March 10, 2011 council meeting minutes and Brian H. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no questions regarding the April Executive committee meeting minutes.

5. Organizational Updates & Liaison Reports

a. Children's Ministry reported that parents were surveyed at the last meeting on potential changes to the Cornerstone program next year to tie into the Connect initiative. Parents indicated that Sunday is still the best day for Cornerstone, they appreciate the one-on-one with the shepards and instead of doing GIFT Sundays 1x month, they would prefer fewer times each year.

b. LDS announced meetings with ministry team/committee chairs are continuing and they have gotten great information that will be shared with council later.

c. Stewardship announced a change in meetings to evening resulted in a few new members, including one with development experience which has already proven to be an asset. In addition, they have 7 people helping with the Run.

d. Endowment committee has reached funds of \$272,000 which is the highest ever. They are current reviewing grant requests.

e. Finance committee announced a current shortfall of \$90,000 toward budget.

6. Synod Assembly

Kathy P. will attend the synod assembly in May.

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7. Nominating Committee Update

Kathy P. announced that a Council majority approved of the slate of candidates for election in June. In addition, she moved that Lowell VanBerkom be approved to fill the Nominating Committee 1 year term vacated by Scott Cordes for the 2011-12 year. Dave L seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

8. RLC Facilities Review & Next Steps

Scott C. reported on the initial meeting of a group of council members who met to discuss next steps in reviewing facility needs. The group recommends formation of a Facilities Taskforce (FTF) to further review previous facility documents, hold discussions with stakeholders to identify facility needs and determine stakeholders' commitment to supporting a capital campaign. The FTF would then provide findings to Council and make a recommendation on whether to maintain status quo (maintenance only), remodel, build or some combination thereof.

The council group will determine number and mix of FTF members needed, identify potential FTF leader and provide a motion for Council to consider at the May meeting. Council unanimously supported this process.

Kathy P. expressed the importance of new council members being present for this discussion and will contact them to encourage attendance, at least for this agenda item, at the May meeting.

9. Budget Update

Paddy Emerson joined the meeting at this point. She and Pastor Craig presented recommended action items to help us achieve current budget and prepare for a potential budget increase next year. As previously reported, RLC is currently \$90,000 behind current budget. Key components of their presentation were:

- a) 7 shifts of revenue and expenses. With the support of the Finance Committee, Pastor Craig and Paddy proposed the reallocation of income streams beginning 7/1/11. Marlaine M. moved to accept proposal. Larry G. seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- b) 4 phase action plan to achieve current budget
- c) Potential budget considerations for 2011-12
- d) Focus on change of heart of members toward giving. From average to extraordinary.

10. Staff Liaison Responsibilities

Final draft of staff liaison role was presented to council for approval. David W. moved to accept document as written. Dave L. seconded. Motioned was passed by majority.

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11. Pastor's Report

Pastor Craig reported on feedback regarding seminary students preaching during Lent. He also shared a faith conversion testimonial. Pastor Craig also indicated he feels a shift in attitude and that RLC is being led to live relational ministry and our VMV and that if it is God's plan it will happen.

12. Open Communications

Bill M. indicated he is having double knee surgery and will not be at the May meeting.

Carol S. announced that Connie Wienman declined to stay on as 2nd RLC delegate to Fairview Assn so a replacement is necessary. Carol was directed to pass responsibility of finding replacement on to Pastor Kris. No action is needed by council.

13. Closing Prayer

Pastor David led us in a closing prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Pedersen,
Vice President