St. Paul Lutheran Church Council Meeting
July 13, 2015

Council Members:

Present: Jill Long, Gretchen Zody, Tom Wilkinson, Peg Kennedy, Ryan Rackley, Phil Baden, Lisa Michaels

Attendees: Tracey Moyer, Bil Lyons, Pastor Jon

Absent: Karla Kruse
Guests: Marilyn Lundquist, Dan Shively
7:00 opened meeting with Prayer

Devotional- Phil Baden led devotions, Whistling in the Dark by Fred Beckner

Guest- Marilyn from Inreach outreach committee discussed the Photo directory and volunteer information. She asked if council members would sign up to help with the 8-10 pm shirts so that building could be locked up. Sign-up sheet distributed and she will have sign ups posted in a couple weeks for others to sign up.

1. Secretary's Report and Minutes:

Electronically submitted. Posted

A motion was made by Peg Kennedy to approve the June minutes. Seconded by Gretchen Z., Passed

2. Treasurer's Report- Bil Lyons

Electronically submitted.

Envelope/Plate giving is $15,000.00 less than last year but above our budget. Thrivent informed Bil that we have not been up to date with a fund we have with them. Bil will look into and handle and report back to council. Motion made by Phil Baden to accept the treasurer report, Ryan Rackley seconded. Passed.

Dan Shively distributed his quarterly report and discussed the quarterly giving

Stewardship- The campaign will begin in October. Stewardship will look into changing the bulletin to add Year budget comparisons. Possible temple talk to discuss where we've been, where we are going... into layman terms.

3. Pastor Report: Pastor Jon

Electronically submitted

Pastor Jon distributed a letter from Bishop Dillahunt dated June 26, 2015 about same -gender marriage What -ifs for Leadership development was distributed. We are to look over to see if this is a reality to implement with the youth. He will be having carpal tunnel surgery on July 30 he will be using a sick day for Aug 2, pulpit support for this Sunday will be Seth Bridger, from Trinity Lutheran Seminary.

4. Coordinator of Lay Ministries Report: Tracey Moyer

Electronically submitted**.**

6. Committee Reports:

Education and Youth-Phil Baden

Committee did not meet. Working on filling Spykids director position.

Youth- Gretchen absent

August 26 is youth Sunday. They will lead the 3 services and NYG presentation. 3 events for fundraising have been established for ongoing years.

Inreach/Outreach- Jill Long

Electronically submitted.

God's Work, Our Hands. - 3 different events to take place on August 22, Star House, Hometown hero's baked goods, Ronald McDonald Sign-ups will be in the narthex soon.

Asked about t-shirts and there was interest so we will get back with committee to advise.

Property, Cemetery, Interior Design- Lisa Michaels

The committee did not meet.

Fence- work is slated to happen this week. Cemetery gazebo foundation to be poured this week, dependent on the weather.

Worship and Music: Gretchen Zody

Electronically submitted

They are still working on gospel service, potluck and fellowship after service. Baptismal font lid, where is it. And it was said that we would like to have water in the font at all times.

Stewardship, Scholarship: Peg Kennedy

Electronically submitted.

Most of discussion covered under treasurer section.

Peg will not be at the next meeting so remind to have Stewardship come up with a temple talk to discuss where we are, where we want to be and how to get there. Bil Lyon will talk to Dennis.

Moving $$ into investment. Endowment is invested per their bylaws. It was discussed if some funds should be in a a balanced investment, Such as scholarship. They will be working on an investment plan and will report back to council. $150, 000.00 was moved out of checking into savings.

Technology- Ryan Rackley

Electronically submitted. \

Server is alive, if it goes down, they will use computer for backup. We, SPLC, were approved for Tech Soup (provides to nonprofits) system servers and licensing.

HR/Personnel - Tom Wilkinson

The committee did not meet.

Task Force(s)

Additional Worship- on hold

Preschool- on hold

7. Old Business:

Starting in August, council liaisons will submit the committee summary template to council members so and that will be used to place on website.

Absent members- how do we reach out to them? Discussion on this. Jill Long will take to Inreach outreach to come up with ideas and set up ministry.

Scholarship names were discussed and Pastor will contact these people
Robes/ Lay worship- Pastor is working on this with worship committee.

8. New Business:

Transfers- none

Church security- are we secure? Discussion.

Preschool equipment and supplies- Proposal to have a liquidation sale by Judy Castor. Discussion. Lisa Michaels made a motion to table the liquidation sale and stop removal of any of the preschool items from Saint Paul. Bil Lyons seconded. Passed. Tom Wilkinson will talk to Judy to let her know. Spykids director and teachers, VBS and LOMO coordinators need to inventory items again and decide what items will be used by programs at the church.

Spykids coordinator- interested person and they have scheduled an interview.

Middle Contemporary Praise service- Ryan brought up that many people have voiced concerns that service is going away from the contemporary style. (Music changing, more readings, psalm reading added) A few other council members said some others have mentioned similar feelings to them. Gretchen will take back to Music. Worship committee to discuss and report back to council

Next Meeting: August 10, 2015 at 7:00 pm

Devotions for next meeting- Gretchen Zody

Adjourned at 9:55 with the Lord's Prayer

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jill Long