

Mountain View Lutheran Church • Church Council Meeting
Tuesday 05 June 2018 • 6: 30 p.m.
MVLC Library

Minutes

Attendance

Present: Jason Cornell, Sonja Dahl, Becca Duskin, Bob Linden, Ken Swanson, Emily Thompson, Pastor John Vaswig, Lynn Wadnizak, Karin Weberg, Julie Williams.

Staff: Phil Edlund, Troy Kehm-Goins.

Call to order

President Sonja Dahl called the meeting to order.

Election of Officers

It was M/S/P to elect Sonja Dahl as president of the congregation, Jason Cornell as vice-president of the congregation, and Becca Duskin as secretary of the congregation.

Ken Swanson agreed to serve as a fourth signer on accounts for the congregation.

President Sonja welcomed Bob Linden, Emily Thompson, and Lynn Wadnizak to the Church Council.

Devotions

Karin Weberg led devotions based upon trying to find balance in life, in the midst of doubt, helplessness, hopelessness, indifference, complacency, and fallibility. She also read verses from Romans 12, James 1, and Galatians 6 regarding endurance and perseverance. The council prayed together.

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It was M/S/P to approve the minutes of the Thursday 24 May 2018 meeting of the MVLC Church Council.

Financial report

Church Administrator Phil Edlund provided a financial update, including the following highlights:

- The 2016 audit summary of finances and records has been completed.
- Giving is about \$30,000 below the Spending Guideline, year to date.
- The current reserves are about \$11,000. The preferred reserve amount would be around \$50,000.
- We need to think of the Spending Guideline as a mission-and-ministry document, rather than a budget. That being said, we are not currently being faithful to the mission and ministry of the voted-upon Spending Guideline with low reserves and “being on the bubble” with current giving.

Pastor’s report

Pastor John Vaswig spoke regarding the following:

- There are currently 80 members signed up to participate in “Friends in Faith” small groups.
- The cottage meetings with Pastor Bri are full.
- Save the date for Pastor Bri’s installation worship service, which is at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday 12 August 2018.
- Pastor John will be traveling back to Illinois for Seth’s ordination service on Saturday 16 June 2018.
- The fall session of ExALT will start with a class by Pastor John on anger.
- The GO Team is imagining what “God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday (9/9) could and should look like.
- Jessie Holden was hired this afternoon as the new Executive Director of the Mountain View Community Center.
- Soon, the Church Council will need to consider an upcoming capital campaign to help pay down our mortgage debt.

Adjournment

Julie Williams “prayed us out.”

Respectfully submitted,

Troy Kehm-Goins
Recording Secretary