

# Mountain View Lutheran Church

Sunday, May 19, 2024 • 12 noon

Congregational Meeting • Life Together Hall

## MINUTES

### Attendance

100 voting members of Mountain View Lutheran Church were present.

### Call to order

President Kevin Dahl declared a quorum present, called the meeting to order, and opened the meeting with prayer.

### Minutes

**It was M/S/P to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2023 Congregational Meeting.**

### Election of Church Council

**Fred Albert, Monica Baker, Tomas Careaga, Kevin Dahl, Mary Beth Dahl, Karen Hansen, Skip Harrison, Megan Hutton, John Meagher, Becky Schaefer, Ken Swanson, and Bob Yost were elected to the 2024-2025 Church Council for one-year terms.**

### Election of Nominating Committee

**Brooke Gustafson, Cindy Jones, and Wendy Neptun were elected to the 2024-2025 Nominating Committee for one-year terms.**

### Election of Mission Endowment Fund Committee

**Tristan Cornell, Tom Fairchild, and Laci Thompson were elected to the Mission Endowment Fund for three-year terms. Beth Ann Johnson and Karen Quandt were elected to the Mission Endowment Fund for two-year terms.**

## Mission Endowment Fund update

Vice-President Bob Yost announced that the estate of Don and Barrie Mott established a charitable trust, with MVLC's Mission Endowment Fund (MEF) being one of the recipients. Each year, the MEF will receive 5% of the trust's funds allocated to it. In 2024, that amount is \$24,000, which is then added to the MEF principle.

## Financial update

Treasurer Jason Cornell gave a financial update through the end of April, which included the following highlights:

- 2024 giving has exceeded the Spending Guideline by \$41,460.
- Three of the four months have surpassed the monthly expected giving.
- \$20,111 has been given to donor restricted accounts in 2024.
- The congregation approved a benevolence rate of 10% in the 2024 Spending Guideline, but increased giving has nudged that percentage to 13.2%, which is an *additional* \$6,705 in benevolences given to ministry partners so far.

## Staffing update

President Kevin said that work was proceeding on hiring a new Music Director, with more news soon. He also asked that we formally thank Pastor Bri for her ministry in our midst; those gathered responded with hearty applause and a standing ovation.

Pastor Eric talked about forming a call committee this summer and moving forward on identifying our next "second" pastor. He also spoke of upcoming changes to our church management software, which will have an impact on the staff.

## Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned with closing prayer from Pastor Bri Merkle.

Respectfully submitted,  
Troy Kehm-Goins  
Recording Secretary