

Trinity Lutheran Church Congregation Council Minutes

February 25, 2013

Roll Call/ Declaration of Quorum 7 p.m.

	<u>Off in 2014</u>	<u>Off in 2015</u>	<u>Off in 2016</u>
Y Pastor Santoro	N Mike Kinsey	Y Norm Amundsen	Y Cynthia Breitinger
Y Michael Renehan	Y Gary Behrens	N Becky Lutz	Y David Burow-Flak
Y Barbara Herzinger	Y Erma Eichhorn	Y Valerie Steil	Y Matt Hernes
	Y Kathy Brannen	N Paul Parsons	Y Jane Schreiner
	_____ , Youth Rep		

Devotion Time *Life Together* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer, pp. 57-75 – Discussion led by Pastor

Welcome Following introductions, Erma explained location of council mailboxes, emailing of reports for consent agenda and distributed council binders to new members. A brief introduction to the Constitution, Continuing Resolutions and committees established by either the constitution or continuing resolution was given. Erma pointed out the Continuing Resolution that all council members are expected to read “The Lutheran”. Support for subscription cost is available upon request.

Consent Agenda - reports accepted

January Congregation Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Pastor’s Report
Finance Committee Report
Computer and Technology Report
Mission Endowment Fund Report

Deaconess’ Report – Natalie Lichtenberger has been asked and agreed to serve as youth representative.

Motion to appoint Natalie Lichtenberger to serve as Youth Representative for the 2013 term. MSC

Book of God by Walt Wangerin, Jr. will be used for a read aloud informal & low-key Bible study meeting Sundays at 9:50 a.m. in Room 104. Deaconess Barb and Valerie Webdell will facilitate the discussions.

30 Hour Famine was attended by 8 youth from Trinity and 3 adults. Held at St. Andrews, the focus was hunger in the Horn of Africa. Youth made and delivered meals to the Men’s and Women’s overnight shelters. They will be writing more about their experience.

Items for Council Approval

1. **Committee Members (from Mission Endowment Fund Committee)**

The MEF Committee recommends that Mike Renehan be reappointed to the Committee for a three year term. Mike’s last term was for one year. Mike is eligible for this appointment because the resolution establishing the MEF Committee provides that a member may serve up to two consecutive three year terms. MSC

2. **Fund Withdrawal (from Mission Endowment Fund Committee)**

Mike Renehan distributed copies of the MEF announcement and 2013 Grants Application and Practices and Guidelines.

The committee recommends to Council that \$20,000 be withdrawn from ELCA FUNDA for distribution to this year’s grant recipients. MSC

3. Four recommendations from Pastor's report:

That the following persons be received as confirmed members effective March 30, 2013: BrendaLee Aden, Adam Michael Cook, Laura Lee Coburn-Clark, Michael Milé Kolar, William John Paulus, Jane Michelle Ryan, Chad John Roggow, Kelly May Shimer-Roggow, and Jan Marie Wolfe; and that the following persons be received as baptized members: Allison May Roggow, Rachel Quinn Roggow, and William Chad Roggow. MSC

That the increase in Tender Loving Care preschool reimbursements to Trinity for cleaning, utilities, and insurance be effective in September 2013 and be reflected in the 2013-14 TLC budget. MSC

That a task force be appointed to make recommendations with regard to the relationship between Trinity and the preschool. The task force will include the pastor, deaconess, at least one Council member, the preschool director, and a preschool teacher. Motion amended to add Erma Eichorn and Norm Amundsen to serve as Council representatives. **MSC**
Deaconess Barb will arrange a meeting.

That Adam Michael Cook be registered to be considered for candidacy in the rostered ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. MSC

Old Business:

Open Door Policy – Discussion of report from Open Door Task Force. Property Committee will look into entry systems. Questions arose regarding types of video systems to be considered and which doors to monitor.

New Business:

Election of Council Officers and Appointments to Ministries Teams:

Valerie Steil was elected to serve as Council Vice-president for 2013.

Cynthia Breitinger was elected to serve as Council Secretary for 2013.

There are no candidates accepting a nomination to serve as Council President at this time. Erma, agreed to serve until a new president has been elected.

After a brief explanation of restructuring around our Mission Statement members chose the following areas of ministry in which to serve:

Worship: Kathy Brannen, Jane Schreiner

Hospitality: Jane Schreiner, Erma Eichorn

Congregational Life: Mike Kinsey, Matt Hernes (expressed special interest in Computer Committee)

Faith in Action: Cynthia Breitinger, Valerie Steil

Support: Norm Amundsen, Gary Behrens, David Burow-Flak

Attendance follow-up - Reports not yet user-friendly. Pastor will present concept at a future meeting.

Meet New Members – March 17th after 10:45 service. Asset Mapping session coordinated by Healthy Congregations Task Force. Potluck lunch.

Financial Report – reviewed by Mike Renehan. Motion to accept reports **MSC**

Next regular meeting – April 2nd at 7:00 p.m., Room 103 (church library)

Devotion Time- *Life Together*, pages 76-89.

Closing prayer – Deaconess Barb

Adjournment – 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Cynthia Breitinger