

# Trinity Lutheran Church Congregation Council Minutes

February 12, 2014

## Welcome – Paul

This meeting was a re-scheduled date for the January 28<sup>th</sup> council meeting which was postponed due to winter weather conditions.

## Roll Call/Declaration of Quorum 7:05 p.m.

	<u>Off in 2015</u>	<u>Off in 2016</u>	<u>Off in 2017</u>
Y Michael Renehan	Y Norm Amundsen	Y Cynthia Breitingner	Y Christine Cawby
Y Barbara Herzinger	Y Becky Lutz	Y David Burow-Flak	Y Erma Eichorn
Y Pastor Aicher	Y Valerie Steil	Y Matt Hernes	Y Mike Kinsey
	Y Paul Parsons	Y Jane Schreiner	Y Marty Swinehart
	_ Youth Rep.		

**Opening Devotion Time** – Round table sharing of council member's stories about what first drew them to Trinity and why they stayed. Paul offered a prayer in closing.

## Handouts

- + Page with Mission Statement, elected leaders roles in the congregation (from installation) and Covenant of Conduct.
- + New members received council binders. Thanks Erma for putting the binders together!

## Consent Agenda

- + Trinity Lutheran Church Congregation Council Minutes, December 16, 2013
- + Computers and Technology Committee Minutes – January 8, 2014

**Motion to approve the council minutes and accept committee minutes. MSC**

**Old Business:** None tonight

## New Business:

### 1. Election of Officers – nominated and elected to serve as 2014 officers:

Paul Parson, President

Valerie Steil, Vice-President

Erma Eichorn, Secretary

Mike Renehan, Treasurer\*

\*It was noted that when the office of treasurer is filled by someone who is not an elected council member, the officer *shall have voice, but no vote.*

### 2. Office Manager transition

Paul updated information previously sent to council members by email:

On Friday, February 7, 2014, the Executive Committee accepted Carol Barber's resignation from the position of Office Manager effective that day. An announcement was made to the congregation by Paul on Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> thanking Carol for her years of service at Trinity and wishing Carol and her family the very best in the future.

A team of parish leaders and staff members met on Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup> to outline a short-term transition plan during the vacancy in the position of an office manager. A summary of the plan was provided. Discussion of further response and future plans for the position followed.

**3. From Pastor:**

- + Pastor's Monthly Report – February 12<sup>th</sup> 2014 – Rev. Jane L. Aicher – copies distributed
  - a. Pat & Bill Broadstone – request for reinstatement of membership.

**Motion to reinstate the Trinity Lutheran Church membership of Bill and Pat Broadstone. MSC**

- b. New member reception on Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**9:00 p.m. Motion to extend for 15 minutes –MSC**

4. **Recommendations from the Mission Endowment Fund Committee-** presented by Michael Renehan:

**The committee recommends to Council that \$25,000 be withdrawn from ELCA FUNDA for distribution to this year's grant recipients. MC**

**The MEF Committee recommends that Ron Landgrebe be reappointed to the Committee for a three year term and that Diane Marten be appointed to a three year term. Ron's last term was for two years. Ron 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**

**9:15 p.m. Motion to extend for 15 minutes –MSC**

5. **Other** – Jane Schreiner provided an update on the development of Neighbors Place, a project to provide affordable housing to women in the community and requests for support from Trinity.

**Motion to disburse \$7,554.32 from the Affordable Housing Fund to Project Neighbors for the "Neighbors Place" project. MSC**

**Motion to approve the use of Fellowship Hall for a concert by Shades of Grey on Sunday, March 16, 2014 to benefit Neighbors Place. Room usage fee to be waived. MSC**

**Financial Report** – Reports to be presented at next council meeting

**Date of upcoming meetings:**

- ❖ February Council meeting – 2/25/2014 7:00 p.m. in the library

**Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. MSC**

Respectfully submitted by Cynthia T. Breitinger as she joyfully passes the pen to Erma Eichorn!