

Trinity Lutheran Church Congregation Council Minutes

November 25, 2014

Welcome –Paul Parsons, President

Devotions – Erma Eichhorn

Prayers requested for those who have lost loved ones recently.

Roll Call 7:07 p.m.

Number of Voting Members Present: 12

Number of Voting Members Needed for Quorum: 8

Declaration of Quorum

Term Ends 2015

Y Norm Amundsen

N Becky Lutz

Y Paul Parsons

Y Valerie Steil

N Cayley Schnick, Youth Rep.

Term Ends 2016

Y Cynthia Breitinger

Y David Burow-Flak

Y Jane Schreiner

Y Matt Hernes

Term Ends 2017

Y Christine Cawby

Y Erma Eichhorn

Y Mike Kinsey

Y Marty Swinehart

Y Pr. Jane Aicher, Interim

Y Barb Herzinger, Deaconess

N Michael Renehan, Treasurer

Consent Agenda

Trinity Lutheran Church Congregation Council Minutes – October 28, 2014 correction in Old Business line, Stewardship song “Take Me ~~Oh~~, Take Me As I Am”

TLCP Profit and Loss Statement

TLCP Balance Sheet distributed

MSC

Pr. Jane passed out her written report. On file.

† She gave an explanation of Rebuilding Together program.

† Announced First Presbyterian Church will have Blue Christmas on December 9th – a program for those who have lost loved ones.

† Announced Adam Cook has accepted a position as youth director at Community Methodist Church in Naperville, IL

† She will have cataract surgery on December 29.

Deaconess Barb’s Report –

† Youth Quake is in Chicago January 23-25 – Trinity will have 20 youth and 7 adults attending

† SS Advent Program December 14 @ 9:30 a.m.

† Youth Chili Supper fundraiser follows Choir Concert on December 14 at approximately 6:15-6:30 p.m.

† VBS different process for securing date coming year – requests are mailed as opposed to driving to Angola

† Has lost church keys

Old Business:

† We are back to receiving names to be interviewed for Pastor. Two strong candidates chose to go in different direction.

† There will be a written report on commitments (pledges) after first of year.

† Discussion concerning MOU between Trinity and TLCP (Preschool) – David suggested TLCP submit their inventory for council approval and the following be inserted in MOU. *Under IV. d. (1) In the event that TLCP ceases to operate as a pre-school and the Director ceases employment with Trinity Lutheran Church, the Director may have possession of the property included on the list of property approved by the council so long as within 12 months of TLCP ceasing to operate the Director has established a similarly situated preschool or has obtained employment as Director of a similarly situated preschool. This clause (IV (d) (1) expires by its own terms at the end of the 2016-2017 school year.* Following more discussion and not having the said inventory, it was determined to continue with this issue at our January meeting. The inventory list needs to be obtained from Nancy Moseley.

† Question as to the status of Karin Kost request for prayers and financial support for seminary – info about her on bulleting, no offering has been taken. MEF remaining funds? Consideration to be given at next meeting.

† \$621 was realized from LutherFest. Funds went to support Youth Ministries.

† Erma will send Nominating Forms to Valerie, Christine, and Mike K., who are the committee.

† Please have budgets to Bob Tittle, Finance Chair, ASAP

New Business

- † Notice to Trinity has been received regarding lawsuit with neighbor at 56 Chicago. In April 2014 the trial court granted our summary judgment and dismissed the church with prejudice. Since that dismissal, the plaintiff has appealed.
- † Pastor Karl Lutze will celebrate an informal reading of his last work, Into a Wider World: Friends, Families and Allies-Companions for the Journey on Monday, December 8 at 4 p.m. in the Hearth Room in the Harre Union at VU. Proceeds from this work and others support the Lutheran Deaconess Association.
- † More info will we coming regarding a program from Thrivent whereby churches can apply for grants for a event at church organized by a Thrivent member. Mike Kinsey and Marty will assist in getting info.

Next regular Council meeting, December 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Library; Devotions: Barb - please bring snacks and drinks to share

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn **MSC**

Respectfully submitted
Erma Eichhorn, Council Secretary
December 13,2014