

Peace Church Council Meeting - May 5, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 11:07 A.M. Present: Jay Moser, Jane Metcalf, Elaine Knoke Martin, Lanette Schutte, Lucy Sharp. Absent: Bruce Landis

There was a motion by Lanette to approve the minutes from the last regular meeting; Elaine seconded and motion carried.

There was no Financial Report however, Jay noted that the heating bill is up about 30%. The church and parsonage are on the same account. It was suggested that we look into separate meters for the future.

Jay reported that Lifeline is coming on May 12 to look at the cameras (image is breaking up) and they are bringing handheld microphones that can be passed around the congregation for announcements and joys and concerns. Jay learned that we can hold off a year to get the warranty on the system. A full report will be presented at the next meeting (May 15 following fellowship).

There was a short discussion about the terms of the 90 termination period for Pastor Jon in light of the fact he has accepted another position. It was unclear what our obligation will be. A list of needs from Pastor Jon was created and that is attached to these minutes. He has not supplied a transition list. Jay will contact him.

Christian Ed - Jane confirmed the date of May 29 for confirmation and Pam Renig will conduct the service. It will be from 8:30 - 9:30 in order to accommodate Pam's other obligation. The confirmands are: Ayden Schutte, Madelyn Burns and Jonah Burns. There was a motion to approve these young people for confirmation by Jane, seconded by Elaine and motion carried. They are considering a bowling party in Prairie du Chien to celebrate. Jane is looking into a mission trip for the group to Iowa City at the Ronald McDonald House. Lanette stated that Sunday school is finished for the year.

Buildings & Grounds - Jay was told by Gary that someone tripped on the sidewalk outside the office door and Gary will pray paint the crack to draw attention. Sidewalk may need repairs/replacement. Jane will contact Randy Swales and Jay will contact Allen Mitchell.

Worship Committee - Lucy reported that Jay, Bruce and she met with Pastor Mark regarding Sundays he is available over the next few months. Those dates are on the attached. He is also going to refer a seminary student (s) who may be able to preach the other Sunday. Jay noted that Scott Meyers is a UCC minister with ties to Elkader. He will contact him to possibly fill in a Sunday or two over the summer. Lucy reported that Brandon has resigned in order to pursue a Master's Degree. There will be a going away reception for him following the May 15 service. Lucy will coordinate with Joann.

Missions - Jane stated that the committee will provide some support for the work trip.

Memorial - Elaine reported that they met and are developing guidelines for the receipt and distribution of funds.

Old Business - Jay will contact Bart Hawkinson about holding off on the photo directory and will talk to Kay and Michelle Gifford about doing one on our own.

The computer is been gone over and should be ok now. Jay will set up a time to meet with Pastor Jon to come in and clean out his office. Elaine will talk to Susan Palas to find out if there's anything she knows of that we need from Pastor Jon.

There was a motion by Jane and seconded by Elaine to have Joanne Gray, Sharon Seney and Jane Metcalf as approvers of expenditures on the Missions account with a requirement of two signatures on checks; motion carried.

The next meeting will be following worship on May 15. The May 8 meeting is cancelled. There was a motion by Elaine and seconded by Jane to adjourn at 12:25. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Sharp

