

Tree of Life Church Council Meeting

Monday, August 16, 2022 6:30 PM ZOOM Meeting

Members present: President Kevin Solberg, Vice-President Sandy McCarthy, Secretary Russ Bliese, Treasurer Jim Lemaux, Pastor Chris, Deb Zimmer, Pat Rowe, Julie Timmins, Heidi Beckham, and Mark Templet. Visitor Jill Waldrop, Ikeria Green, John Burkwall Dennis McConnell, Mark Danney and Jack Zimmer.

Absent: Peggy Little Tom Gros

A. President Solberg called the meeting to order@ 6:32 PM. Pastor Chris started the meeting with a prayer.

B. Consent Agenda

- I. Motion: Adoption of Agenda- Motion made by Templet and seconded by McCarthy. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- II. Motion: Approval of Minutes (July 16, 2022) Motion: Lemaux and seconded by Templet. All were in favor and the motion passed.

C. Discussion Agenda: Council was advised on the new Gift Policy/Legacy Gifts by McConnell, Zimmer and Danney. The task force is comprised of McConnell, Zimmer and Danney. The task force makes a recommendation to the church council on gifts to the church. The congregation will then vote on acceptance of real property after council makes a recommendation. The congregation has to vote to sell property. Stocks and bonds will be redeemed. There are no

bi-laws in the policy. All typos will be corrected. A motion was made by Solberg and seconded by Lemaux to accept this new policy. All were in favor and the motion passed.

D. Financial Reports

I. Monthly statements (July 2022)

Lemaux presented the financial report for July 2022. Total income for July was \$32,253. An additional \$1,000 was borrowed from SEEDS. Total expenses were \$47,483 for a deficit of \$16,229. Lemaux stated that the YMCA and Paideia will start coming in to increase income. There were two C D's that were cased in. The Balance Sheet was OK. A motion was made by McCarthy to accept the financial report and the motion was seconded by Templet. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Adopt a project: The machine that projects onto the wall has died. A new one was purchased for \$2,500. The Fire System Inspection will cost \$1,800. The assistant minister microphone is also out. A motion was made by Zimmer and seconded by Rowe to have these items placed on the adopt a project list. All were in favor and the motion passed.

E. Pastoral Report

Pastor Chris reported that there are several members who are sick with COVID and others with medical issues to include B Johnson who is in hospice. There were issues with the live streaming to include no sound. The carpets were cleaned for the new school in the education building. A YMCA employee came to church for the first time. There are 29 new members since 01/2022.

F. Old Business

- I. Tree Camp- Recap: There was a meet and greet/dinner on Sunday with camp Monday-Friday. All was going well till Green came down with COVID. Will not do the same thing next year as it will only be the church and YMCA.
- II. Paideia Classical School Update: The first day of class is 08/18 with approximately 30 students. Kathryn Lake will be teaching science for the school.
- III. Garage Sale Team Search: Nothing to report.
- IV. Kings Embrace Update- A total of \$8,500 has been received so far. PC will be having a golf fund raiser by playing 49 holes in one day at three different courses.
- V. Financial Audit Update: Nothing to report.

G. New Business

- I. WELCA Dedicated Fund: Update from McCarthy. Charitable 30%, WELCA 10% and Women's Ministry 60%. Not a lot of interest and McCarthy will discuss with the Bad Girls.

- II. New Members: Six new members, Rich and Jo Broome, Alan and Diana Frederick with daughter Ella and Greg Watson. A motion was made by McCarthy and seconded by Lemaux to accept these new members to TOL.
- III. Anything Else: The 2023 budget process will be starting soon. Discussion was held on providing Pastor Chris with additional funds for setting up the Paideia School. A list of services provided to the school by Pastor Chris will be requested with follow up discussion at the next council meeting.

H. Pastor Chris led the closing with the Lord's Prayer and Solberg adjourned the meeting at 8:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Bliese

Council Secretary