

Christus Church Council Minutes

Thursday, August 3, 2017

Members: Amy Wierschke (2018), De Dalum (2018), Jeff Arps (2019), Larry Bentle (2019), Lois Posselt (2019), Bob Hicks (2018), & Pastor Jen

Guests: Christine Loppnow, Melissa Prochnow.

The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm.

Opening Prayer – Pastor Jen

Approval of July Minutes – Bob made a motion to approve the July minutes and De seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Approval of Current Agenda – Lois made a motion to approve the agenda and Larry seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

“To Do List” for the Congregational Meeting in October – Pastor Jen

- Provide hard copies of the study and a QR code link to digital copies in advance of the meetings.
- Clarify that anyone wishing to be married at Christus must be a member or the relative of a member in accordance with current church policy.
- Emphasize voting procedure on pre-vote materials.
- The Center will be arranged to promote small group discussion on Sept. 24 and Oct. 1. These meetings are to provide information on the congregational vote at Christus, not to debate the issue of same gender marriage.
- The ballot copy will be available at these meetings. “Should Christus Lutheran Church perform same gender marriages?” Yes or No.
- We will adhere to Robert’s Rules of Order, with a parliamentarian present if possible, at the congregational meeting on Oct. 8.

Anniversary Celebration Update – Melissa

- 7255 post cards advertising Christus have been mailed to homes in the Christus area.
- A tent has been arranged for the pet blessing. Donations from this event will be sent to Saving Paws.

BMT Update – Larry

- We have borrowed money from savings to pay for expenses associated with the Hwy 15 expansion. Larry presented a BMT motion for the Council’s consideration concerning the future of Christus once the expansion begins. The Council requested more information from BMT and tabled the motion until the Sept. council meeting.
- Larry reported that the audio portion of Sunday services will be put in place for the gathering area. A video connection is tabled for now.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bruce : 25-6 Years of Service – Pastor Jen

- The council discussed ideas to recognize Bruce’s years of service.

Mission Trip Highlights – Christine

---Christine reported that this year's mission trip was amazing for the teens and chaperones. See photos on the CLC Facebook page.

CONCERNS FROM THE CONGREGATION:**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

---Luke Zuleger has resigned from the Christus Council.

---Pastor Jen will be taking an on-line class this fall called "Building and Equipping the Church."

The meeting closed at 8:24pm.

Closing Prayer – Pastor Jen

The next council meeting will be on Thursday, September 7.

The next all ministry meeting will be on Tuesday, September 12.

Respectfully submitted by De Dalum