

Christus Church Council Minutes

Thursday, October 5, 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 6:32 pm

Opening Prayer – Pastor Jen

Approval of September Minutes – Jeff made a motion to approve the September minutes and Larry seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Final preparations for the Congregational Meeting in October – Pastor Jen

- Announcing the results: Voting results will be announced at the meeting, via e-mail in the weekly “In Case You Missed It” posting, in the following Sunday’s bulletin and the November newsletter.

Set Up:

- 2 Standing Microphones
- 2 Check-in Tables – Positioned at the Side Doors of the Sanctuary
- 2 Chairs per Table
- 1 Table in Front of Center Doors of the Sanctuary (blocking entry)
- Signs on Tables (A-K and L-Z) (Christine)
- 2 Lists of Current Voting Members per Table
- Multiple Pens on Each Table
- Ballots
- Giving Envelopes
- 1 Table at the front for the Parliamentarian

Tasks:

- 2 Council Members per Table – De, Bob, Lois and Amy
- 2 Floaters – Jeff and Larry
- 4 “Collectors” of Votes – Jeff, Bob, Lois and Larry
- 2 Counters - Jeff, Bob, Lois and Larry
- 1 Council Member to Make a Motion – De as secretary
- 1 Council Member to act as Time Keeper (parliamentarian) - Larry
- *De will record the minutes.
- *Amy will lead the meeting.
- *Jeff will help facilitate order

--The discussion process will be posted on the screen during the meeting.

--The sign-in people will keep a running tally of voters for the quorum requirement.

- The sign-in sheets will be placed in 3-ring binders for easier use.
- No matter what the outcome of the vote is, the Wedding Guidelines will need to be updated.
- The Council discussed the possibility and procedure for a re-vote.

BMT Update – Larry

- BMT is investigating starting a yearly audit of the church's books.
- When the state decides to move forward with HWY 15, things may move very quickly, so the BMT is working to find a general contractor now who will be on board to assist with things like relocating the parking lot and any utility connections that will need to be made.

Council Member Vacancy – Pastor Jen - Nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trunk or Treat – Pastor Jen & Melissa – Only child-friendly treats may be passed out.

Paint & Sip Event – Melissa – Saturday, October 7.

Hackert Family Reinstatement – Pastor Jen

--De made a motion to reinstate the family and Lois seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CONCERNS FROM THE CONGREGATION:

--A Christus member had some concerns that the Same Gender Marriage process did not include discussion sessions prior to the congregational meeting and vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

Jeff made a motion at 8:16 pm to adjourn the meeting and Lois seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Closing Prayer

The next council meeting will be on Thursday, November 2.

The next all ministry meeting will be on Tuesday, November 14.

Respectfully submitted by De Dalum