

Trinity Lutheran Church
Camp Hill, Pennsylvania
MINUTES OF CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING
January 10, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Craig Erdman.

The following council members and staff were present:

Daryl Ackerman	Peter Fox	Tim Koch
Reuben Balasundram	Lorraine Graybill	Pastor Glenn Ludwig
Pastor John Brock	Jennifer Hammaker	Dave Miller
Judy Collins	Ryan Hannigan	Barb Musselman
Christopher Couch	Tom Hoffert	Mike Schwalm
Pastor Nancy Easton	Betsy Knarr	Bill Tauriello
Craig Erdman		

Gathering in God's Grace:

Opening Devotions: Lorraine Graybill led devotions base on Psalm 105 and Luke 17:11-17.

Roll Call and action on requests for absence: Mr. Tauriello moved to excuse Nancy Martin per her request.

Recognition of visitors: Visitors were Scott Steffan, Sound Video Lighting Solutions; Jay Blackwell, byDesign; Worship Task Force members Becky Enney, Deborah Wilson, Robin Fero, Paul Walker, and George Enney; and Rachel Wright.

Approval of minutes: Ms. Graybill moved to approve the minutes of December 13, 2010, as printed. Motion carried.

Agreement on Agenda: No additions were made to the agenda.

New Contemporary Worship Task Force: Ms. Enney's report is on file. The Task Force recommends the implementation of this plan for improvements to Fellowship Hall to provide engaging worship and encourage the growth of our congregation. Ms. Enney distributed a report showing that the total cost for the project is estimated to be \$146,155, plus or minus 10%.

Much discussion was held. Questions were raised around construction time, and whether or not we can be functional during the work. Mr. Blackwell estimated 30-45 days, and Fellowship Hall would be functional during that period for the programs that run throughout the week.

Petitions and Communications: A letter addressed to Pastor Ludwig and Craig Erdman was received from Mr. Bill Foos. Mr. Foos is challenging the leadership of Trinity to utilize the property at 1959 Market Street for Ministry. He outlined some suggestions. Mr. Erdman referred the letter to the Facilities Study Task Force for review.

Ms. Graybill reported that Frank Bertovich, Becky Enney, Paul Walker, and Rachel Wright have accepted the call to be nominated at the January 23, 2011, Annual Congregation Meeting to serve on Congregation Council.

Staff Reports:

Reports were received from Pastor Ludwig, Pastor Brock, Pastor Easton, Christopher Couch, Tim Koch, Peter Fox, Debbie Wilson, and Judy Collins.

President's Report:

Special Committees or Task Forces:

Call Committee: Mr. Weaver's report is on file.

Going Green Task Force: No report.

Transportation Ministry Task Force: No report. Mr. Hoffert is a member of this task force and reports that the committee has not met. Mr. Erdman will speak with the task force chair.

Facilities Study Task Force: No report

Executive Committee: No report.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Treasurer's Report and Finance Committee: Mr. Ackerman's report is on file. Mr. Ackerman highlighted the Designated Giving balances. There is another 1/3 of the budget that is driven by designated giving by congregation members.

Administration and Personnel Committee: Mr. Miller's report is on file. He pointed out that a letter of commendation was given to Nancy Martin.

Arts Committee: No meeting.

Church Property Committee: No meeting.

Educational Ministry Committee: No meeting.

Evangelism: No meeting.

Fellowship Team: No meeting.

Missions Committee: No meeting.

Parish Ministry Committee: No report.

Publicity and Communications: Mr. Schwalm's and Ms. Graybill's report is on file.

Social Ministry Committee: Mr. Bonsall's report is on file.

Stewardship Committee: Ms. Leber's report is on file.

Worship Ministry Team: No meeting.

Youth Ministry Committee: Report included in Mr. Fox's report.

Ministries of the ELCA

Women of Trinity: Ms. Linda Penney's report is on file.

Lutheran Men in Mission: Mr. Jim Kincaid's report is on file. Mr. Tauriello reported that the picture with St. Nick event went well. The Lutheran Men in Mission pork and sauerkraut dinner is Friday, January 14.

Continuing Service

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

MOTION: Worship Task Force

Mr. Miller moved to accept the report of the New Contemporary Worship Task Force to Congregation Council dated January 10, 2011. Motion carried.

MOTION: Worship Task Force Education

Ms. Hammaker moved to proceed with a two (2) month Congregational Education and Communication Campaign to inform the congregation of the recommendations of the New Contemporary Worship Task Force. Motion carried.

MOTION: Worship Task Force Financing

Mr. Schwalm moved to appoint a task force to formulate and implement a two (2) month plan to finance the recommendation of the New Contemporary Worship Task Force. Motion carried.

Comments for the good of the order:

Pastor Brock acknowledged the four council members who have completed their terms; Craig Erdman, Daryl Ackerman, Mike Schwalm, and Reuben Balasundram.

Mr. Ackerman pointed out that committees need to seek council approval when they anticipate over-spending their budget.

Dismissal: The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m. Council members joined hands and prayed together The Lord's Prayer.

Mike Schwalm, secretary