

Council & Board Minutes:

June 2023

St John Evangelical Lutheran Church Council meeting minutes

The regular meeting of the Church council was called to order at 7:02 pm on June 14, 2023 by Josh Johnson.

Present: Pastor Russ Leeper, Cherie Schafer, Justin Chase, Judy Hughes, Kathy Rogotzke, Jake Gassman, Julie Begemann, Janet Petefish, Kim Watkins-Vice President, Sarah Kendall-Secretary and Josh Johnson-President.

Opening Prayer: Pastor Leeper

Agenda: Motion to approve agenda: Schafer/Watkins. All approved.

Previous month's council minutes: Motion to approve minutes: Hughes/Rogotzke. All approved.

Pastor's report: Pastor Leeper distributed copies of the Church's mission goals. As the council works on the bylaws, he would like us to keep these goals in mind. Dave Randall Construction is done except for some caulking and gutter work. Inspection is scheduled for next Wednesday. The outside railing will be welded in place. Flooring will be installed. Painting where the old door was will need to wait two weeks so the grout can cure. Pastor Russ asked if there was interest in a simple dedication ceremony for the lift. Council discussed and decided on a dedication ceremony on June 25 following church service.

Financial report: Treasurer's reports were distributed to the council (Rhonda Schmidtke-Business Manager not present/on vacation). Motion to approve financials: Watkins/Hughes. All approved.

Monthly Benevolence: Motion to give this month's money to Coats 4 Kids. Schafer/Rogotzke. All approved.

Board Reports:

Finance board from Kim Watkins: Evan Marten will be moving which creates an opening on the finance board. The board suggested Ryan Venz to complete the remainder of Evan's term.

Parish Education from Jake Gassman: VBS starts June 26. Rally Sunday will be September 17.

Stewardship board from Judy Hughes: Cans have brought in \$700 with another trailer load of cans expected to bring in another \$700. A reverse offering for the blessing box will be held July 9 with the return of offering items on July 16. Discussion to promote on

Facebook and throughout the community that we accept cans.

Board Vacancies: Ryan Venz has been nominated to complete the remainder of the term vacated by Evan Marten on the finance board. Motion to approve Ryan Venz to fill the remainder of Evan Marten's term. Hughes/Petefish. All approved.

Personnel committee: Alison Pettit, Scott Kendall and Justin Chase have been nominated to the personnel committee for the remainder of this fiscal church year. Motion to approve Alison, Scott and Justin for the personnel committee for the remainder of this fiscal church year. Watkins/Rogotzke. All approved.

Constitution and Bylaws review: Discussion to divide the bylaws into manageable sections for review with sections 1-5 to be reviewed at this meeting. Bylaws were discussed by the council with changes recorded by Janet Petefish. Motion and voting regarding bylaw changes will be postponed to a future meeting.

Website and Server: Justin DeVore has been hosting the Church's website on his server. Justin will be moving away from Charles City, but has offered to continue to host the website. Alternatively, we can look into options for a different server. Kim Watkins will research information regarding options for different servers. Motion to research and seek options for a new/different server. Gassman/Rogotzke. All approved.

Next Council Meeting: Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 6:00pm (no meeting will be held in July due to council members' conflicting schedules)

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:18 pm. Watkins/Chase. All approved.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Minutes submitted by Sarah Kendall-council secretary

St John Family Board
Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 4:30
Fireside Room

Attending: Tina Marth, Laurie Heidebrink, Carolyn Marth

Tina opened in prayer at 4:40pm

OLD BUSINESS

- Family Picnic June 25th – Bring your own lunch with games in Andres Park
 - Who can be there? Tina, Laurie & Carolyn
 - We will pull things out of the storage area tonight and be ready to load them in the morning of 06/25 – meet before church if possible

- Canoe & Kayak event –
 - Youth board wants to do this again, but may need to wait until August or so
 - Keep as old business so we talk about it next month again

NEW BUSINESS

- Rally Sunday will be Sept 17th
 - Youth board will also help with this
 - Should we provide the treats after service that day?
 - Do a “Car Rally” with RC cars for the kids? Just draw a track when they show up
 - “Shine and Show”

- 25 Cent sale in December
 - Maybe next month we can look at dates, and decide when to start telling people to gather things

Next Meeting – Wednesday, July 19th at 4:30

Tina closed with the Lord’s Prayer at 5:15pm.

St John Lutheran Church Finance Board Meeting: June 13, 2023

Present: Jeremy Heyer, Ron James, Sharon Tieskotter, Karol Carpenter, Kim Watkins, Cherie Schafer
Council Representatives and Pastor Russ Leeper.

Meeting was opened at 5:00 PM in the Chapel Room by Chairman Jeremy Heyer.

Pastor Russ Leeper opened with a prayer.

Ron James made a motion to approve the May 9, 2023 minutes, Sharon Tieskotter second the motion.
Motion carries.

Sharon Tieskotter made a motion to approve the June 13, 2023 agenda with the addition on items from
the Church Council which will be addressed in the Council Report. Karol Carpenter second the motion.
Motion carries.

Approval of Disbursements: Karol Carpenter made a motion to approve the May disbursements,
Sharon Tieskotter second the motion. Motion Carries.

Old Business:

1. Disaster Relief Account at CUSB Bank: Rhonda Schmidtke Business manager had liquidated the account and moved the funds to a CD with Jeremy Heyer through Edward Jones to be used to repair Parsonage roof.
2. Time Clock Plus: This was tabled until next month when Rhonda Schmidtke returns from vacation.
3. Capital Projects: the lift is getting close to being completed and was noted it had gone over budget by approximately \$35,000.00 due to some changes from the original estimate. It will need to pass inspection before use. Also flooring and painting needs to be completed in the new area.

New Business:

1. Reviewed monthly financials: Ron James made a motion to approve and Sharon Tieskotter second the motion. Motion Carries.
2. Replacement for Evan Merten position on Finance Board. Two names were suggested as possibly replacements to finish the rest of the term of a year and a half. Council will vote on a candidate for replacement.
3. Council Report: Cherie Schafer is working on the church By Laws and had a couple questions as to wording in the By Laws. It will be removed from the By Laws that the Scholarship Chair Person will not need to serve on the Finance Board.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday July 11, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

Sharon Tieskotter made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ron James second the motion. Motion Carries. Adjourned at 5:30pm

Closed with The Lord's Prayer

Karol Carpenter
Finance Board

Stewardship Board, June 20, 2023

PRESENT: Diane Laudermilk, Kathy Waldorf, Dave Lindaman, Pastor Russ Leeper, Council Liaison Judy Hughes

Our meeting opened with a prayer by Pastor Leeper.

Kans for Kids: Deposits were made in May of \$468 and in June \$677.

St. Johns youth will be taking a mission trip to Duluth MN in July. Lori has requested another \$350 to go towards fuel besides the \$500 given last month. A motion was made by Dave Lindaman to support this trip from Kans for Kids and seconded by Kathy Waldorf. Motion carried.

Preparation for Consecration Sunday on October 29th: Diane Laudermilk provided a calendar for October, so we were able to fill in dates of what needs to be done. Further discussion and preparation made for the October 29th event. More to come at our next meeting.

Discussion regarding Blessing Box: Reverse offering slips will be provided by Yolanda for the Blessing Box. On July 2nd it will be announced there will be a reverse offering, July 9th the slips will be distributed as a reverse offering before our regular offering, and on July 16th the food items will be brought and put in the narthex..

Next meeting: July 18, 2023, at 2pm.

Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Waldorf

Secretary

Parish Ed Minutes

6/14/2023 @ 4:10PM

Attendance: Lisa Hinz, Rae Lynne Chase, Tammy Quade, and Laurie Heidebrink

Decorations will be going up for VBS on June 24th at 9:30AM and be taken down on Sunday July 2nd after service. VBS is the week of June 26th Monday-Thursday, we will be putting up a donation board on May 21st-28th with donations due on June 19th.

Possibly could use a few more helpers each night, just to have enough coverage.

Rally Sunday will be Sept 17th after the service, treats will be provided by Parish Ed, Sunday School starts Sept. 24th.

Next meeting will be July 12th at 4:10PM

Gracefully Submitted

Tammy Quade

Youth Board Meeting Agenda
June 19, 2023

People attending:

Sydney, Laurie, Ann, Sue, Lydia, Dennis

1. Old business
 - a. Duluth Mission Trip
 - i. July 5-9, 2023
 - ii. Completed 6th-12th grade students eligible(and their friends)
 - iii. Staying at a church
 - iv. Have some service lined up on Superior Hiking Trail
 - Bus is getting new tires
 - b. Palm Sunday Breakfast
 - i. The donations of \$1520 going into youth individual accounts
 - ii. Went smoothly, many positive comments
 - Discussed
 - c. Bake Sale
 - i. Sunday, June 4, 2023
 - ii. Baked pies and other baked good, on Saturday, June 3, 2023 at the church
 - Went well, we don't know how much we made yet
2. New Business
 - a. Kayak day - Family Board would like to do this again, but they will need additional man-power to make it happen
 - Have to find a day, when there won't be any rain
 - Do people have to find and rent their own kayak or will we do it?
 - b. Other
 - i. Talk about new meeting dates - During the school year try to do a meeting right after Sunday school
 - ii. Talk about new members and their positions
 - iii. Talk about candidates for student members

Next meeting date: July 17th @ 5:15 in fireside room

Respectfully submitted, Sydney Hinz