

Council Meeting Minutes: 5.11.2015

Bishop Mary Froiland and Steve Kottke visited our meeting.

Jill called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Jalaine requested that we add discussion on the Allyson Norland Run/Walk to the agenda.

Sandy moved, Mark seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

Correspondence:

Bishop Mary expressed her deep love and appreciation for our church and congregation. Several members of our congregation recently met with her and she is aware of a letter with 10 signatures requesting a congregational meeting. She requested that they hold off delivering the letter until she had a chance to discuss the issue with Council. She is concerned about a possible split or divide that will occur within our congregation.

Sandy moved, Mark seconded to approve Secretary's report. Motion passed.

Barb moved, Jalaine seconded to approve Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Pastor's Report:

- Audrey Carpenter and Marne Wilson will be our voting members to attend Synod Assembly.
- 2 members of our congregation have come forward interested in the Office Secretary Position. They will be interviewed soon.
- Kay Wang has been working on a landscaping plan, she is trying to keep it as cost effective as possible. On Tuesday, May 19, there will be a work day to work on landscaping from 2pm until dusk.
- WoW is on hiatus until school resumes in the fall.
- The final proof for our directory is with LifeTouch.
- Luke and Courtney spent about 1 ½ hours working on training to update the website.
- We have a new way of listing people in our prayers that seems to be going over well with the congregation.

Pastoral Acts:

Wedding: April 25, 2015: Nicholas & Rebekah (Rickman) Fink (Georgetown, SC).

Elsa moved to approve the Pastor's report, Brian seconded. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Education: The Habitat for Humanity hike is coming up. If our church is the one with the highest donation, they will donate 20 free hours of labor.

Evangelism: The committee has started working on raised beds in the garden. They received a \$50 donation from the WELCA to go toward supplies that are needed. Planting will hopefully start next week.

Stewardship: Eldon wants to put his idea of the raffle on hold at this time. There are many difficulties arising in the planning and execution stage.

Worship: Mark and Neil met with Luke to learn how to run the A/V system. Sandy suggested that perhaps more youth members be involved with the 'clicking' through of the power point.

Property:

- Brian and Mark met with Curt Meier about the window sills that we have been concerned about. Kurt is hoping to talk to Terry to double check to make sure that there are no issues with the windows.
- The brick pillars holding the sign at the front of the church are flaking off. We can put a temporary 'band-aid' on it, but it will eventually have to be replaced. Curt is going to work up an estimate and give it to the committee in regards to fixing it.
- Mark has the security keypad box for the office key and it's ready to go as soon as there is a key to put inside.
- Del has the window that needs to be replaced at his shop, it just needs to be stained.

Neil moved, Mark seconded to approve the committee reports. Motion passed.

Sandy moved that we allow up to \$1,000 to be spent on church landscaping. Motion passed.

The risers on the parsonage septic system need to be replaced (widened). Jeremiah Johnson will donate labor if the church pays for the materials needed.

Jalaine brought up an idea of our church donating a sum of money to the 5K Allyson Norland Run/Walk. Del and Rita are very active members of our congregation and it might be nice to donate. The money raised will go toward scholarships in Allyson's memory. Kaylynne moved, Brian seconded to designate June 7<sup>th</sup> as a special offering day in which the money raised from the offering will be donated to the 5K. Motion passed.

There will be a special council meeting to continue the discussion started by Bishop Mary. It will be held on Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at the church at 7pm.

Mark moved, Brian seconded to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 9:04pm.