

Messiah Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2014, 6:00 p.m.

Attendees: Bob Leis, Harriett Elliott, Bob Follis, Cheryl Follis, Jim Thoreson, Ginny Pedersen, Keith Holm, Pastor Nancy Hanson, Clayton Koss, Dede Maki

Absent: Linda Coleman, Cindi Belanger

Guests: Dianne Heapy

Meeting called to order.

Opening Devotions & opening prayer by Pastor Nancy.

Secretary's Report: July minutes were correct but since last meeting on additional church participated in VBS totaling 14 churches. **M/S/C to Approve the July Secretary's report**

Treasurer's Report: Noted that the salad luncheon made slightly over \$1,000. Thanks to all who helped make it a success. **M/S/C to approve the Treasurers report.**

Pastor's Report: Pastor Nancy reported that the Directory project is nearing completion. 60 complimentary mini-photo directories were received from Lifetouch. These directories included only photos taken by Lifetouch and limited information. We will find a use for them. Council members were asked to help check roster names. There may be additional costs because of the number of submitted photo's. **M/S/C to spend up to \$200 to complete the directory project.** Data entry for the roster is taking more time than anticipated. **M/S/C to allow 10 extra hours of time for the Parish Assistant to complete the project this month.**

The Council was asked to prayerfully consider putting an announcement of the Council action on same gender unions and marriage in the paper. No action was taken.

Old Business: Dianne reported that she would check with BART to confirm transportation costs and will check with other Washburn churches to see if they would share costs.

There was a brief discussion regarding the 9:00am church service start time trial. The trial will continue until October. **Future options for worship times will be discussed at the next CHRISM meeting which will need to happen in September or October. Council members are happy to receive any comments and there will be a blurb in the upcoming worship bulletins asking for feedback for Messiah Sunday morning worship time.**

New Business: The Building Use Policy was presented to the Council for consideration. The committee has met several times on this issue. **M/S/C to approve the Building Use Policy with**

two amendments: 1. That the sanctuary rental fee be waived for baptisms, and 2. That a note be added to clarify pastoral and organist fees are not included in the sanctuary rental fee.

The Treasurer will report balances in the memorial fund and the endowment fund at the next meeting.

The next meeting will be on September 16th.

M/S/C to adjourn at 7:15pm.

Closing prayer.

Submitted by, Keith Holm