

The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

Council Minutes September 11, 2008

Present:

Ron Tuvey, President Lynn McCallum, Secretary, Ralph Birmingham, Marcia Kjesbu , Karen Olson, Gery Gerst, Jamie Huizinga, Spike Millman, Marcia Riggers, VP Programs.

Pastor John Rosenberg, Steve Peterson, Administrator

Absent: Leo Eliason, Carolyn Wagner

Devotions:

Pastor John read an article from the Seattle PI published on August 8, 2008: " Church has a higher purpose than being a surrogate family." When members of a congregation focus on just " family" then our focus becomes inward. A goal is to have a relationship with God so our lives are transformed and those people of the community see and desire transformation.

Approval of Minutes: July minutes were approved.

Reports: Steve reported there is a \$129,000 shortfall from last fiscal year. For LCGS to grow and add quality staff we need to respond.

Steve renegotiated contracts to save money. Liability insurance is down.

Leo Eliason, Glenn Klumb, David Good, Chuck Mindemann, Bob Wubbena, Ron Tuvey, Don Grieben, and Duane Schryver changed lighting to energy saving bulbs to save up to \$10,000 in electricity bills.

The Call Committee is planning for installation of Pastor Harris. He starts his ministry at LCGS on September 15.

Pastor John has written a letter to members of the congregation concerning the full-time position of Worship & Music Coordinator. There is not enough income to cover the barely adequate salary package. We are encouraging members to give to this very important position for the life of the church.

New Business:

The Council graciously acknowledges the extraordinary services of the succession team. We receive their final recommendations with a commitment to respond appropriately and to officially disband this team.

Council Retreat – October 18, 2008

Location: Marcia Riggers home

9 AM to 4PM

We will be reviewing and discussing the Booklet on "Building an Effective Council" and the book Transforming Leadership.

COUNCIL MOTIONS

TOPIC	MOTION/ACTION	APPROVED	FAILED
Succession team	Marcia R moved and Marcia K 2 nd we accept the closure of the succession team.	X	

Closing: Lord's Prayer

Respectively Submitted, Lynn McCallum
Council Secretary

Attachment: Succession Team Conclusion