

# **The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd**

## **Council Minutes**

**July 10, 2008**

### **Present:**

Ron Tuvey, President Lynn McCallum, Secretary , Leo Eliason, Vice President of Business, Ralph Birmingham, Marcia Kjesbu , Karen Olson, Carolyn Wagner,

Pastor John Rosenberg, Pastor Dennis Hartsook, Steve Peterson

**Absent:** Gery Gerst, Jamie Huizinga, Spike Millman, Marcia Riggers

### **Devotions:**

Pastor Dennis spoke to us of reconnecting with the earth. Flowers, animals, all plants are to be cared for and enjoyed as the creations of our Heavenly Father.

**Approval of Minutes:** June minutes were approved.

### **Reports:**

Pastor Dennis is preparing the outline for the coming Sunday school year. He has identified 6 or 7 homebound members who need visitation and communion.

Pastor John's letter welcomes Steve Peterson as our new administrator, and Sally Skagen as our Administrative Assistant.

The Pastor and task force are drawing up a job description for a full-time Worship Coordinator and half-time Ministries Coordinator. The committee representatives are putting forth ideas. He indicated he will always be actively involved in worship and music. Worship is at the heart of what we do. Hopefully, these positions will be filled by early September.

Steve Peterson reported we have over spent our income for the fiscal year by \$43,675.86. Our school district reserve monies are being used to balance the budget. As members of our Christian community we are to fulfill our responsibility and gladly return to God a portion of our assets. Advancing our mission should be on the forefront of our heart.

### **Old Business:**

The Call Committee is interviewing candidates for the Associate Pastor.

### **New Business:**

Marcia Riggers, our new Vice-President for Programs will be meeting with Ministry Team Leaders.

Steve presented us with the booklet "Building an Effective Congregation Council."

Saturday, October 18, 2008 is the planned date for a Council Retreat.

Council had a discussion of the May Annual Meeting. We will probably continue with the same venue in the Gathering Place. Having seating in the back for people with young children will be a benefit for those families. We need to welcome newcomers and to see

that they are comfortable. There will be more discussion of the annual meeting at the Council Retreat.

The Preschool submitted their request for fundraising of the Entertainment Books. A percentage of the proceeds go to the Scholarship Fund. Steve will see that fundraising forms are available and policies are followed.

### COUNCIL MOTIONS

TOPIC	MOTION/ACTION	APPROVED	FAILED
Preschool fund raiser	Leo moved and Carolyn 2 <sup>nd</sup> we accept the preschool fundraiser of the Entertainment Books Sept. 14 <sup>th</sup> .	X	

#### Closing:

The Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted:

Lynn

#### Attachments:

Pastor John's Letter  
Booklet "Building an Effective Congregation Council"  
LCGS Christian Preschool Fundraising Request