

## **KOG Council Meeting**

**Mission: As God's people, graced by differences, nurtured by the Spirit and gifted to serve, we invite and welcome all to grow in faith**

***March 6, 2018***

Attending: Pastor Ruth Ann, Eric Backsen, Leo Salazar, Ted Schmidt, Carol McDivitt, Pat Johnson, Nancy Judson

Absent: Lee Holmquist, Joe Asmus

**Devotions:** led by Nancy "Lord's Prayer thoughts"

The meeting was in session at 6:37 PM

**Secretary Report-** (Nancy) Minutes in Dropbox. Leo-Motion, Ted-Second: accept the February, 2018 minutes as presented. Motion approved.

**Treasurers Report:** (Carol) Copy in Dropbox. Notes that February general contributions are ahead of January. Kathy is enjoying doing the book-keeping work. Carol has drafted a new job description for Finance Team. Leo- Motion, Pat-Second to accept Treasure report. Motion approved.

### ***Team Reports***

**Finance:** (Carol) presented new Finance Team description.

Carol –Motion, Leo –Second, to approve revised finance team description with the addition of bullet # 6: "Monitoring the general operating reserves and making recommendations to the Administrative Council about the most prudent way to handle funds not currently needed for cash flow." Motion approved. New Treasurer's job description was presented. Pr. Ruth Ann –Motion, Ted-Second to approve as written. Motion approved.

**Infrastructure/Property:** (Ted) Still working on finalizing landscaping project. Discussion regarding availability of additional funds for extended project.

Bids have been received for different levels of church security projects.

**Communication:** (Leo) Pictorial directory discussion has begun

**Pastor's report:** (Pastor Ruth Ann) in Dropbox

- She reported on the Bridge dance to be held on April 15. It is open to the public with a \$5 donation per person. This will be a fun community and congregational event. Tell your friends.
- Thank you to Carol and Erin for the Faces of Christ study during Lent. Midweek services have been smaller and more intimate. 26 in worship last week. Encouraged council to attend Wednesday services during Lent and Holy week services.
- There will be a new member class on March 24<sup>th</sup> with five households attending.
- The mission investment representative met with Pr. Ruth Ann and Carol and talked about endowment fund. We currently have an endowment fund with \$0. Could the stewardship video

tie into a review of endowment fund? We need to rethink and establish a purpose for the endowment.

- Nominating committee could work on finding members for audit tem.
- There is a need for two synod assembly voting members. Synod Assembly is May 3-5, 2018.

**Property:** (Ted) Security Team meeting with Church Mutual at 1:00 pm on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Leo, Carol and Ted will attend.

**Outreach/World Hunger /Christmas Bazaar:** (Leo, Carol, Pastor Ruth Ann)

A meeting has been scheduled with House of Neighborly Service board and director on March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. General questions from council were established to start the discussion with a moderator to keep the discussion moving forward. Council discussed continued concerns regarding HNS board membership requirements.

**Creation Care:** (Pat) the head of the team has resigned, composting with continue under the Glory Garden project but Pastor Ruth Ann will meet with the team to see if there is a desire to discontinue the team.

**Technology:** (Eric) will check on possible reduction in cable and telephone fees. Eric has met with counters to observe their processes/needs. He discussed storing back-up of church finance records off-site. He is checking with his workplace to see about possible donations of hardware to assist with the need for new computers in the church.

**No other team reports for this meeting.**

**Old Business:**

Need signed contract for using the church as an election site in November. The county will need the building from Monday through Wednesday. Leo- Motion, Pat-Second to accept the request from the county to use KOG as an election site. \$50 will be charged for cleaning cost. Motion passed.

Pastor Ruth Ann will do devotions for April 10 meeting and Nancy will provide snacks

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm