

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 17th, 2009

In attendance: Sam Arriola, Gabriela Gerlach, Gust Hendrickson, Pr. Katie Hines-Shah, Laurie Holland, June Hopkirk, Deborah Larsen, Candy Simonen, Carol Starr, Connie Tempelis, Kim Traynor.

I. PASTOR'S DEVOTIONAL AND REPORT

1. Some successes happening in the church:
 - a. Adult Education after service has 20+ people each Sunday
 - b. \$47,000 has been raised for the accessibility campaign. We are getting there!
 - c. There is a good sized new member class forming
 - d. Some new members are undergoing pre-baptismal training for potential baptism into the church
 - e. Sunday school and our kids are thriving! Children have been doing well in church – a big thanks to the parents for their work and patience!
 - f. Pr. Katie would like to get together with each committee to form leaders and back up leaders. There would be an emphasis on having leadership especially for people who have roles on Sunday (ie. Sunday school teachers).
 - g. There is a collective concern in our community about the financial crisis and how it is affecting us individually and as a church

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM FEBUARY 2009: M/S/P

III. TREASURER'S REPORT

1. \$20,000 has been given to the contractors for our accessibility project.
2. Offering has been down a little.
3. Expenses remain low.
4. Discussion on how to receive reimbursement or forms for in-kind donations.
Reimbursement forms are found on the website under the link community then forms.

IV. ACCESSIBILITY CAMPAIGN REPORT

1. \$47,000 has been raised!
2. The contractors will start work when the ground is dry.
3. The first part of the project will be the railing along the sidewalk.

V. 50th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Meetings are underway.
2. There is a plea for any pictures, mementos of the church.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION

1. Christopher Larsen is resigning from the position. He will be with us through Easter.
2. A committee will be formed to start a search for a new administrative assistant.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Adult Education
 - a. Adult Ed will have its first meeting next Tuesday the 24th. There are many popular topics people wish to pursue including Darwinism and Islam.
2. Buildings and Grounds
 - b. There is interest in fixing the doors of the church. A bid has gone out.
3. Children's ministry
 - a. There is a lunch meeting scheduled for Tuesday the 24th
 - b. The caterpillars are ready to be picked up.
 - c. There are plans to visit an organic farm in Richmond.
4. House and Events
 - a. Sam Arriola is heading up the Seder this year.
 - b. A pre-Easter clean up needs to be planned.
5. Social Concerns
 - a. Heifer collecting is going well.
 - b. A possible volunteer effort with Rebuilding Together is underway.
6. Welcome Committee
 - a. A meeting will be scheduled in the near future.
 - b. Discussion needs to happen with regards to outreach for Easter.
7. Worship
 - a. Discussion is focusing on putting a different emphasis on the worship aspect of the Seder meal.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

1. No other business to report.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT