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Shepherd of the Hills

Minutes: Church Council Meeting - Thursday, January 22, 2009, 7:30pm  
Attendees: Carol S., Candy S., Susie B., Pr. Katie, Johanna R., Sam A.,  
Gust H., Laurie H.  
Email: council@sothb.org

Handouts: 2008 Financial Report & 2009 Proposed Budget,  
Pastor's Report, Meeting Agenda, December 2008 Minutes,

1. Pastor Katie's Devotional and Report
  - \* Devotional - "Witness/Evangelism/Sharing Faith". Three questions asked.  
"Experience of someone sharing their faith with you?",  
"With whom do you feel most comfortable sharing your faith?",  
"Lending of a valuable thing or meaningful possession?".  
Answers shared and discussed.  
Our groups work proclaim the gospel to others, we are stewards.
  - \* Highlights of Pr Report shared.
2. Minutes from December 2008
  - \* M/S/P
3. Treasurer's Report (Laurie H)
  - \* No surprises. Trivent Fund, 1/3 down.
  - \* Accessibility Grant. Financial logistics explained. We deposit donations into account, it gets matched. We need \$5K more to fulfill \$20K matching grant.  
Pledges discussed - status?, thank you notes, revisiting unfulfilled pledges, another round of pledges to make \$5K matching goal and \$60K project cost. Donation progress chart created by Tony Morse.
  - \* 2009 Proposed budget discussed.
  - \* Ready for questions for Annual Meeting.
4. Nominations for 2009 Council - Carol and Susie
  - \* 6 asked from nominations. 4 accepted - Gabriela Gerlach, June Hopkirk, Debra Larsen, and Kim Traynor.
  - \* Other nominees volunteered to help with organizing an event this year.
5. Annual Meeting - Jan 25
  - \* Carol shared proposed agenda for meeting.
    - Report from Pr. Katie
    - Briefing from Carol with Approval Vote For Council Actions of previous year.
    - Treasurers Report - Laurie
    - Elections for new council and reelect second term'ers
    - Accessibility Presentation - Johannes R. and Gifford D.
    - 50th Anniversary announcement and invitation
      - \* Laurie, Gust, Gifford
6. Accessibility Campaign status report
  - \* Need \$60k
  - \* In proposed 2009 budget - entry listed under capital improvements for \$30K. Council discussed this entry and agreed to have Laurie change the capital improvement from \$30K to \$60K for the Annual Meeting.
7. Feb 22 Ground-breaking and visit from Bishop Holmerud
  - \* Ceremony for new members.
  - \* Synod re-organization mentioned. Moving from current office near the airport to three rotating sites, preferably at a church or seminary planned.
8. 50th Anniversary Committee - need a chair
  - \* Laurie, Gust already participating. Need chair - no one stepped forward to volunteer yet. Try announcing at Annual Meeting.
9. Intern potential for 2009/10
  - \* Laurie and Pr. Katie working on filling application for Intern.
10. Need to reschedule February council meeting date...
  - \* Rescheduled to Tuesday, February 24th 7:30pm.
11. Committee reports (as needed)
  - b. Children's ministry (Johanna)
    - \* Christopher Larsen will be the Director. Janet Jacobson thinking about co-chairing or helping
    - \* Hefer farm field trip. New location in Los Altos Hills. Cathy Baca

- and Jeanette Wallin planning trip
- \* Summer Day Camp dates-> week of July 6th.
- \* Two teachers for each class working out well.
- \* Confirmation -> 31st May @ Seminary (Pentecost). Party planned afterwards?
- c. House and Events (Susie)
  - \* Building use request by Evangeline for piano lessons. Discussion. Council all agreed that this was okay. Scheduling of use to be worked out with Christopher.
  - \* East-enders. Working with Sunday School discussed. For June Worship Day?

12. Other business. None.

13. Adjourn