

**Eden's Mission:** "... to love God and all people in Jesus Christ, drawing others into a relationship with Him, working together to expand His reign of hope, justice and peace in our community and the world."

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EDEN LUTHERAN EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Tuesday, January 12, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.

**Council Meeting Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Derek Adkins

Attendees: Pastor Brown, Lyle Hodgerson, Paula Smith, Derek Adkins, Pat Sinclair, Joe Ludwig, Dave Grefe and Zach Anderson.

I. Preparation

1. Welcome Guests: None
2. Personalization – Sharing of joys and concerns
3. Inspiration – Opening Devotions: Pastor Brown
4. Review / Approval of the Agenda as presented
5. Review / Approval of the December 9, 2015 council meeting minutes as amended.

II. Action

1. President's Report: Oral Report Given
2. Pastor's Report: Written report on file
3. Monthly Ministry Reports **Motion:** Approval as presented, **MSC**.
  - A. Finance: Report on file
  - B. Learning: No Report
  - C. Evangelism: Oral Report
  - D. Property: No written Report.
  - E. Service/Fellowship: Report on file.
  - F. Stewardship: No report
  - G. Worship and Music: Report on file.
  - H. Technology: No written report
  - I. Brother's in Christ (B.I.C): Oral report
4. Monthly reports from organizations
  - A. ELCW: Oral report.
  - B. EL Preschool: report on file
  - C. Helping Hands: Oral report. **Motion:** Approval of an additional \$200 in gift cards for distribution by Pastor Brown to the homeless in need, funds to come from the general fund, **MSC**. The current sales of gift cards are not generating enough profit to fund purchasing many cards.

### III. New business –

Pastor's continuing education fund – **Motion:** Approval of Pastor splitting her continuing education funds between travel and education as needed, **MSC.**

Candy sales – **Motion:** Approval of a proposal from Schera Harner to do candy and snack sales in the fellowship hall, after service, as a fund raiser for the hygiene packs created by Helping Hands, **MSC.** Startup funds will come from the Helping Hands line item; all profits will go in to this fund to purchase supplies for future packs. All purchases will require receipts for reimbursement and accounting will be through Toni.

Graffiti – Extensive graffiti damage to our perimeter property wall on the slope overlooking the shopping center needs removal, the City of Riverside has a crew that will remove or repaint; we have been added to their work list pending the weather and current job listings.

Stephen award – **Motion:** Approval of Pastors recommendations of Larry Subriar and Marge Steinbrinck as award recipients for 2016, **MSC.** Awards to be given at Annual Congregation meeting on January 17<sup>th</sup>.

### IV. Continuing business –

Helen Crum Trust – A check of \$30,000 was sent to Eden before Christmas 2015, but never received. We have had mail problems in the past and a wrong address was probably used by the sending trustee. The original check will be voided and reissued soon. When the check is received, funds to be parked in the reserve fund line item for future evaluation. A priority list questionnaire will handed out at the January 17, 2016 to get congregational feedback and projects ranking.

Water line leak - The hole outside the church office to be filled as soon as possible, have been waiting for dryer ground.

Synod giving – **Motion:** Approval of sending \$2250 check to cover our outstanding balance owed for 2015, funds to come from the general fund, **MSC.** The Church will make a strong effort to keep current on our 2016 Synod commitment.

Annual meeting January 17, 2016 – Most annual reports were submitted, Synod delegates to be approved for meeting on May 5,6,7 in Irvine.

### IV. Information

1. Head Usher for February – Paula Smith

2. Upcoming events

Council Meeting – February 9, 2016 (Executive meeting at 6pm) Moved to Tuesday because of Lenten service on Wednesday.

Annual congregational meeting – January 17<sup>th</sup>, following worship service. Potluck to follow in fellowship hall, baked potatoes will be provided, toppings to be provided by church members to supplement potluck items.

### V. Closing

1. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm

2. Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,

Lyle Hodgerson for Don Eissfeldt, Council Secretary