

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
COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, August 10, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Joe Ludwig.

Attendees: Don Eissfledt, Joe Ludwig, Nicolette Rohr, James Sansom, Pat Sinclair, Paula Smith, Jo Thompson

Absent: Pastor Linda Brown (with her father), Zach Anderson, Jay Fiene, David Grefe, Oliver Silveira, Marge Steinbrinck,

I. Preparation

1. Welcome Guests: Lyle Hodgerson; Matt Rommel; Harvey Clark
Harvey wanted to discuss the Evangelism float which was removed with the sheds earlier this summer
2. Sharing of joys and concerns
3. Review / Approval of the Agenda, as amended **(MSC)**
4. Review / Approval of Minutes from July Council Meeting (as corrected) and 8/7 Executive Council Meeting **(MSC)**
5. Review / Approval of Minutes from 7/31 Executive Council minutes **(MSC)**
Matt Rommel reported this project came in under budget
6. Review / Approval of Minutes from 7/17 Executive Council minutes; correction—the amount should be \$15,756 not \$15,766 **(MSC)**
Pat noted that in the future Property needs to send expenditures to Finance before they come to Council (discussion to be continued in ministry reports)

II. Action

1. Pastor's Report (written report in packet)
2. President's Report: Joe mentioned upcoming Messenger article
3. Monthly Ministry Reports
 - A. Finance: Lyle reviewed finance minutes (see written report in packet)
\$80,000+ spent from Helen Crum trust plus almost \$20,000 from reserve; will perform updated audit after Toni leaves; contract for county parking renewed; need names for scholarship recipients from Pastor; Finance committee recommendation on Messenger article related to stewardship—What will Eden's future look like in ten years?
Lyle also reported from the Steering Committee for the Crum Trust; committee will meet again in October
Motion: Set a \$1000 ceiling level for all committee expenditure recommendations to Council without Finance committee in conjunction with current mandate for the Finance committee to review all contracts; Joe clarified that even with a negative from Finance, council can still review requests **(MSC)**
Motion: Council needs a written breakdown of all expenses for the cargo containers purchase, placement, and interior finishing **(MSC)**; Finance should have these figures in advance of project; Council thanks Jim Sansom for his work on the cargo project
 - B. Learning (no report)
 - C. Evangelism (no report)
 - D. Property: Jim (see written report and bids for trimming hedges/shrubs in packet)
Pat discussed cutting hedges (to two feet) vs. removing and replacing (bids do not reflect removal/replacement) but Council is interested in bids for both possibilities for church/school area (not along Brockton Ave.); Council would like two bids; Joe asked Property to look into damage to slab; Pat brought up current storage for ELCW being used by Boy Scouts once ELCW stuff is moved
Motion: To allow Boy Scout Troop 8 to make use of the storage container (newly named container #4) currently used by ELCW for storage **(MSC)**
Pat requested bids for parking lot—one needs to be updated to reflect stump removal plus 1-2 additional bids; bids need to be presented to Finance committee; suggestion for revised estimate

for resurfacing; Pat brought up overhangs on school looking bad since tree removal; debris needs to be removed and boards inspected for termite damage; Property will make recommendations for new trees in the future; Jim gave Dar estimate for doors for school board and Finance to review; school board will review

E. Service/Fellowship: Pat announced the ice cream social is this Sunday; ELCW asked to provide toppings; Teacher Appreciation luncheon Sept. 1 at 11 am; council members are invited to attend

Motion: To provide \$100 from Council for gift cards for teachers, to be purchased through Helping Hands (MSC)

Sept. 11: Rally Day, Stewardship Sunday, Choir Appreciation, 128th Anniversary Celebration

Oct. 16: tentative date for Toni's farewell potluck party; money tree in lieu of gifts

Nov. 13: Veterans Sunday; baked potato luncheon; quilters will provide quilts

Note that minutes were submitted but are not included in packet

F. Stewardship (no report)

G. Worship and Music (no report)

H. Technology (no report) hearing devices have arrived

I. Brothers in Christ (B.I.C) (no report); Jim would like BIC to move bus

5. Monthly reports from organizations

A. ELCW (no report)

B. EL Preschool: Pat reviewed written report in packet; summer is always low enrollment/funds; new signage installed; will address need for more playground equipment; proposed budget will be discussed at tomorrow's meeting

C. Helping Hands: Jim reported slow month and drops due to summer travel; hygiene pack supply is good but short on Stater Bros. cards

Motion: Approve all reports as noted and amended (MSC)

III. New Business

1: Reformation-500th Anniversary: Nicolette brought up plans to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation in October of 2017, to be discussed further at next meeting

V. Information

1. Head Usher for September: Zach Anderson

2. Upcoming events

A. Council Meeting – Wednesday, September 14, 2016 7:00 p.m.; no executive committee (6:30) unless otherwise announced

B. Sunday, August 14: Ice Cream Social

C. Sunday, September 11: Rally Sunday

D. Sunday, October 16: Farewell Potluck for Toni (tentative)

E. Sunday, November 14: Veterans Sunday

Meeting was adjourned by Joe Ludwig at 9:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicolette Rohr, Council Secretary