

**St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Minutes of the Congregation Council Meeting – October 13, 2014

**Present:** Paul Francis Linda Peterson Louise Stevens  
Mark Ferg Pr. George Schneider Jeff Stoudt  
Steve Founds Cathy Taylor  
Tammy Jacobs

**Absent:** Susan Kirkpatrick, Sue Nonemaker,  
Bill Schmalzer, John Wachter

<i>TOPIC</i>	<i>DISCUSSION</i>	<i>RESULTS/FOLLOW-UP</i>
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Pastor led us in prayer to begin the meeting.	
<b>APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE</b>	The minutes of the congregational meeting of Sep 8 <sup>th</sup> were reviewed. One correction to the attendees was made. Correspondence was shared from Lutheran World Relief thanking the congregation for a gift of \$150. In addition, correspondence was received from Donna Nicholson thanking the congregational council for welcoming her into the meeting of September 8 <sup>th</sup> .	Louise moved to approve as amended. Linda P seconded. <b>Motion Carried</b>
<b>PASTOR'S REPORT</b>	Pastor made specific mention of page iii, Item D, point 3 - highlighting the timeline of the evaluations.	Jeff S. moved to approve as amended. Louise S. seconded. <b>Motion Carried</b>

**OLD BUSINESS**

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<b>WAREHOUSED PEWS</b>	Steve Founds has scheduled a follow-up meeting with a congregational partner to see if items in front of the pews can be moved away to get a better view of them	Pastor is recommending that the evaluation of the pews and their disposal be decided at the discretion of the Property Committee. If one is in "decent" shape, then perhaps it can be placed on the stage of the HFLC.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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<b>Evangelism Social Ministry Stewardship/Finance</b>	Copies of the Committee reports were circulated and reviewed.	Tammy J made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Pastor Schneider seconded. <b>Motion Carried.</b>

**NEW BUSINESS**

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<b>AREA MISSION STRATEGY</b>	Pastor outlined in detail the Mission Plan for 2015. Utilizing a "form" and "substance" approach, he outlined in detail how each aspect of the "mission plan" would impact both the physical component and the spiritual formative viewpoint of STLCH.	The mission Plan for 2015 will be used during the annual congregational meeting upon further refinement, if necessary.

<b>NARTHEX CEILING</b>		Pastor recommended tabling the discussion of the Narthex renovation ceiling until we receive final window replacement costs differential between original quote data and completion costs. Louise S. seconded. <b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>YORK RESCUE MISSION – OUTSIDE COLLECTION BIN</b>		Paul F. made a motion to table the discussion of the York Rescue Mission Bin to next month. Mark F. seconded. <b>Motion Carried.</b>
<b>REALM DIRECTORY</b>	The REALM directory would assist the church with the capacity to print directory's on an "as needed" basis with relevant and current information stored in a database with query capability and link stored photo images to coincide with its information.	Pastor S. made a motion to approve the Photo Directory utilizing the REALM system. Louise S seconded. <b>Motion carried</b>
<b>Listening Post</b>	<b>Sep 21st</b> <b>8:00 AM:</b> Sue N (in abstention) . – no comments <b>10:30 AM:</b> Paul F. – no comments	

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<b>Listening Post</b>	<b>October 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8:00 AM:</b> Tammy J. <b>10:30 AM:</b> Cathy T.
<b>CLOSING</b>	<b>Next meeting: November 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.</b>	Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

<b>Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct</b>	Evangelism, Social Ministry, Stewardship/Finance
<b>Feb, May, Aug, Nov</b>	Christian Education, Property, Staff Support
<b>Mar, Jun, Sept, Dec</b>	Worship & Music, Ministry with Youth