

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Board of Trustees Meeting 8/17/21

In attendance: Barbara Ashton, Chris Hopkins, Larry Miller, Mark Miller, Mike Platz, Pr. Jeff Tally, Dave Weiss, Jennifer Wollesen

Absent: TeriLee Fitz Guests: Pr. Susan Westland

The meeting was opened by Barbara at 6 PM. Pr. Susan offered the opening prayer. Our devotion from Pr. Jeff is titled He Calls Us His Own by. Oswald Chambers. A quorum is established.

A motion by Mark with a second by Larry to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried. The minutes of the July meeting were approved as printed.

Old Business – LCMC By-Law changes we submitted will be voted on at the next meeting. It was decided that the change to our by-laws would carry over to next month when we will have more changes.

New Business – Hiring of Maintenance Person – several resumes were sent in but no one attached a statement of faith. Kathy will expand to social media and local churches. Kathy will also split the job into 2 part time positions.

The subject of xeriscaping our grass area between the street and sidewalk. There are grants available to help with this. Pr. Jeff will ask Pam Scott to look into this for us and get back with a report.

Pastor Report - The Milestone Program received a grant and purchased a shed for Milestone 3 and a washer, dryer, dishwasher and refrigerator for Milestone 1.

Christian Education starts Wednesday September 22 at 7 PM. The first subject to be studied will be Blood Covenant. Other Adult Education classes are in the works and will be communicated to the congregation when ready.

Tree and parking lot update – A Thank you go out to Dennis, Curtis Eric, Kerwin, Clark and the Boy Scouts for their hard work. We are waiting on the Armstrong's on their shed roof repair.

The Lobby transformation from a pass through to a fellowship area will have a report next month. All our events are being well attended. Sunday attendance is going up. Everyone is reminded to complete their Spiritual Gifts Assessments. 50 have been completed.

Pastor Jeff asked if the BoT would approve the addition of Doug Op as an At-Large Chaplain. Doug works at IMC as a hospice and home care chaplain. Motion by Dave seconded by Mark to approve the addition of Doug Op as an At-Large Chaplain. Motion carried.

Pastor Jeff suggested we read the book "Being a Safe place for the Dangerous Kind" by Michael Bradley before the October LCMC event as Michael is to be a keynote speaker. The topic came up about asking the Board to read a book every year and discuss it. It was decided that we would start in November when we have the new board members. Several books are under consideration.

The staff is working through the book Crucial Conversations led by Dave Weiss.

Wayne's Rental Agreement is being held off till next month.

Rally Sunday is September 19. All active ministries should plan on having a table set up for this.

Financial – Overall \$5000 short for the month (58k\$ income, \$63k\$ of expenses).

Over 6 months our shortfall is now \$46,100 short (~\$6500 per month)

Our overall cash balance continues to fall consistent with our monthly shortfall, currently at \$67,700

Human Relations – Pr. Jeff will complete a review of Barb’s performance.

Legal – Nothing

Marketing – Cards similar to the 1st responder cards are being made. These will bless people and have our church information on it. Larry is looking for volunteers to expand the greeter team.

Facilities – Mark wanted to thank everyone for the work on the fallen tree. The stump will be removed when is cut small enough to load in a dumpster.

Mission – Missions committee is trying to find a time to meet. They are in need of 3 people for their team.

At Large – Dave is working with the staff on Crucial Conversations.

Next meeting is September 21.

The meeting closed at 7:45 with a prayer from Pr. Jeff.

Respectively Submitted,
Jennifer Wollesen
Secretary