

**COUNCIL MINUTES****SCOTT RIFE**

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA  
FEBRUARY 17, 2013



**Call to order: Meeting called to order at 12:07 pm**

**Roll Call: All council members present.**

**ROLL CALL:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Kate Blough	President
<input type="checkbox"/> Judy Bartram	Vice President
<input type="checkbox"/> Arlys Johnson	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Dan Diekhoff	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Kenny Hawkins	Financial Secretary
<input type="checkbox"/> Scott Rife	Secretary
<input type="checkbox"/> Don	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Rick Barr	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mike Baugh	_____

**Opening devotions: Kate Blough led the opening of the meeting with a prayer. President Blough challenged council and Faith to Exploring our vision & purpose**

CORE VALUE # II. LIFE BEYOND OUR FAITH FAMILY AND HOW WE DEVELOP SERVICE PROGRAM/ACTIVITIES, ETC. TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY AND/OR THE WORLD.

KATE OFFERED SEVERAL ISSUES THAT LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF IS INVOLVED WITH THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. COUNCIL DISCUSSED LOOKING FURTHER INTO THE LUTHERAN MALARIA INITIATIVE. MALARIA IS A PREVENTABLE DISEASE THAT KILLS MORE THAN A MILLION PEOPLE A YEAR. COUNCIL AGREED TO LOOK FURTHER AT MATERIALS AND VIDEOS ABOUT THIS CAUSE AND PROVIDE INPUT ABOUT FAITH'S POTENTIAL INVOLVEMENT WITH THIS ISSUE.

[Lutheran World Relief  
http://lwr.org/site/  
k.961D/](http://lwr.org/site/k.961D/)



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Lutheran Malaria Initiative.htm](http://c.dmJXKiOYJgI6G/b.7536265/Lutheran_Malaria_Initiative.htm)

**OLD Business:**

1. Seminary awareness project (follow-up and planning) Pastor Scott and Dan Diekhoff discussed our current seminary awareness project. Our current seminarian Ben Sloss and his wife Tracie will be attending Faith on February 24. Council discussed how we can improve on this project. Suggestions such as congregational care packages, and setting aside specific Sundays to bring supplies to be shipped to our Seminarian were discussed. Pastor suggested that we try to receive the name of a junior student so that we can be involved with them for more than a short while. We look forward to the insights that Ben and Tracie will bring to us.

2. Search for treasurer: Bill Holman turned his resignation as of 2/9/13 Faith is still looking for a replacement for Bill. A couple of replacements have shown some interest in this position. Dan Diekhoff moved that we look into the possibility of having co-treasurers. Kate Blough seconded, motion

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3. Identify members and terms of the Mutual Ministry & Pastor-parish relations committees.

Mutual Ministry team members include Bob Parish, Cathy Holman, and Dick Klemens. Currently, Lyle Gernand is the only member of the Pastor-parish relations committee.

Approval of minutes from previous meeting:

Arllys Johnson moved to accept the minutes, Ken Hawkins seconded Motion Passed

**Treasurer's report**

Ken Hawkins presented the Treasurer's report. Offering for January 2013 was \$17,285.53 Expenses during the same period were \$15, 515.12 which was a great start to the year. The report was submitted subject to audit.

**Financial Secretary's report**

Ken Hawkins also presented the Financial Secretary's report. Weekly giving has been averaging about \$2500. /wk. Faith's budget requires us to take in about \$3596/wk. to make our budget. Kate Blough moved to accept the Treasurer's and Financial Secretary reports. Scott Rife seconded, Motion passed

**Pastor's report:**

Pastor Scott presented his report reflecting both December 2012 and January 2013 activities. During this time period pastor had several Christian Education, Pastoral Care and Hospital visits. Pastor also had many Administration events that he participated in. Judy Bartram moved to accept pastor's report, Arlys Johnson Seconded, Motion passed

**Council President's report:** Some of the highlights of the President's report

Kate Blough has been very busy adapting to her new role and the expectations that come with being Faith's Council President. On 2/6/13 she attended her first staff meeting during this time the staff came up with event calendars for several months to come. These calendars will eventually be included on our website. Kate thanked Arlys Johnson for compiling the results of the Time and Talent surveys. We discussed different ways to make Faith members more aware of our small but great library. A couple of suggestions included placing signage to direct people to it. We will also be looking at the possibility of asking for readers to voluntarily review some of the great reads in the library for the newsletter. Judy Bartram/Scott Rife moved and seconded to accept the President's report. Motion passed

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**SELECTION OF LIAISON PERSONS TO REPORT FOR ALL THE COMMITTEE and COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Stewardship report:** No Report

Dan Diekhoff will be council liaison

**Evangelism report:** Met on 2/14/13 Rick Barr reported that the team was working on the mass mailing that will be sent out before Easter Rick Barr will continue to be the council Liaison for this team

**Parish Education report:** No Report Carol Taylor is involved with this team and usually reports to council

**Youth report:** Lutheran Hills retreat May 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup>. Youth will be providing Lenten dinner on March 13<sup>th</sup> March 30<sup>th</sup> will be preparation for the annual Easter breakfast. March 31<sup>st</sup> Easter breakfast. Scott Rife will be council representative for the Youth Group.

**OWLS report:** Will continue to help CLM, and Wounded Warriors. Owls are also looking for more opportunities to help others. The Owls will continue to sell desserts at the Concerts in The Parks. Arlys Johnson will continue to be council representative for the OWLS

**PLOT report:** Guess Who's Coming to Dinner and many other events being discussed. Ken Hawkins will continue on being the council Liaison for this team.

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**Mutual Ministry report:** No Report. Pastor will continue to be involved with this team.

**Pastor-parish relations report:** No Report. Pastor will continue to be involved with this team

**Property Report:** The team is looking possibility of new lighting in the Baptismal Font area. Rick Barr will continue on being the council member that meets with the property team.

### NEW Business:

1. **Coordinate shepherd lists:** Not discussed during this meeting. Will be revisited during future meetings
2. **Patti needs the “Who ya gonna call?” list**
3. **Arrange for installation-** Council installation will be on February 24<sup>th</sup>...
4. **Mouse in the house-** I saw a mouse in the fellowship hall while cleaning up after scouts. Since he is a Lutheran Mouse I believe he is forgiven. We will try to make sure he is no longer part of our facilities.
5. **Staff meetings on Tuesdays...** 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 1pm @ the church. Judy Bartram- will look at attending this event.
6. **Sunday after-church meetings.** Council visited the option of holding meetings on days other than Sunday. This discussion led to the next council meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm
7. **Permission forms** to use the church for special / non-regular meetings. The cost for non-members is a flat rate of \$100 with a \$25 deposit. Do we want to keep the fee the same or pro-rate it per hour and usage? It was decided that people that wish to utilize the facility need to make sure that they fill out a permission form so that no request conflicts might arise. It was discussed that we review and update the Facility request form and place it in the newsletter. Rick Barr moved that this be done, Kate Blough seconded, motion passed.
8. **Pastor-parish committee relation.** This committee was discussed in the President’s report. Council will look into the possibility of having Patti Smith help keep pastor on task with his obligations and visitation planning. Kate Blough, Judy Bartram also volunteered to help
9. **Communication:** Discussion about communication or lack thereof followed. Please make sure if you have any upcoming events or request to get them to Patti Smith [patti5154@att.net](mailto:patti5154@att.net) or for the website to Rick Barr at [Rickb@Bigfrog.com](mailto:Rickb@Bigfrog.com)
10. **Website Calendar & events.** It was pointed out that the website was good but many times it doesn’t reflect upcoming events. Rick Barr said he is aware of and frustrated with this issue but can’t update the information if nothing is sent to him. If you have information or updates that need to go on the website please forward them to Rick Barr at [Rickb@Bigfrog.com](mailto:Rickb@Bigfrog.com)
11. As Faith prepares to wind down its’ preschool program Don Walker suggested that Faith consider utilizing our facility as an Adult Education Center. The purpose of this center would be to assist adults who are pursuing their GEDs. Don has spent a lot of time looking into this service and believes that this would be a great contribution to our community. Don Walker moved that Faith look into and possibly pursue providing an Adult Education Center to the community sometime in the future. Kate Blough seconded the motion. Motion passed.
12. **Council retreat-** No date was decided on for this retreat. Possible topics for this retreat might include the Lutheran Malaria Initiative. Pastor Meyer from Western Kentucky is currently involved with this initiative and might be asked to attend.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:24pm

Meeting minutes Faithfully submitted,  
Scott Rife

