

COUNCIL MINUTES

SCOTT RIFE



COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MARCH 11, 2013



Call to order: The meeting was called to order by President Kate at 6:04 pm

Roll Call*Scott Rife***ROLL CALL:**

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<input type="checkbox"/> Scott Rife	Secretary/Youth	ti3wood@yahoo.com	812-284-1157
<input type="checkbox"/> Don Walker	Adult Education	Donald_wal@msn.com	812-283-9018
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X_ Rick Barr	Evangelism	rickb@bigfrog.com	812-207-7431
<input type="checkbox"/> Mike Baugh	Property	elevenx@insightbb.com	812-256-2528

X denotes Council member not present

Opening devotions: Pastor led devotions with an reading from Proverbs 14th chapter, 4th verse Pastor summarized the reading by saying “In order to make progress you need to also accept the messes and mistakes along the way.”

Exploring our vision & purpose*Kate Blough*

CORE VALUE # II. LIFE BEYOND OUR FAITH FAMILY AND HOW WE DEVELOP SERVICE PROGRAM/ACTIVITIES, ETC. TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY AND/OR THE WORLD. [Lutheran World Relief http://lwr.org/site/c.dmJXKiOYJgI6G/b.7536265/k.961D/Lutheran Malaria Initiative.htm](http://lwr.org/site/c.dmJXKiOYJgI6G/b.7536265/k.961D/Lutheran_Malaria_Initiative.htm)



- Approval of minutes from previous meeting: Judy Bartram moved to approve, Don Walker seconded, motion passed
- Treasurer’s report: There was no Treasurers report
- Financial Secretary’s report: There was no Financial Secretary’s report
- Pastor’s report: Along with regular worship services and there preparations, Pastor made 4 visits as well as a hospital visit. Pastor also attended several church related meetings and events as well as the Girl Scout World Thinking Day Dan Diekhoff moved to accept Pastor’s report, Scott Rife seconded. Motion carried
- Council President’s report: Is attached below. Scott Rife moved to accept the President’s report, Judy Bartram seconded Motion carried

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- Adult Education Project: On March 8th, 2013 Judy Bartram, Kate Blough, Dan Diekhoff, Pastor Scott, Lyle Gernand, and Don Walker met with Beth Pattison who is the South Central Indiana coordinator for the Department of Workforce Development Adult Education program. The topic for this meeting was to discuss the possibility of establishing an adult literacy educational assistance program at Faith. Beth informed the group that there is a large need for programs to help adults with their literacy as well as improving their spoken English. Beth will be meeting with this group again and provide additional information. Council would like to thank Don Walker for all the time and effort he has put into this project. Don Walker moved that we should present our findings on this subject to the congregation. And said he would be willing to do this during the March, 17th worship service. Dan Diekhoff seconded Motion carried
- Stewardship report: Dan Diekhoff has been talking to congregation members as being part of the Stewardship Team. Hopefully, this group will meet soon.
- Evangelism report: The Evangelism team will meet on Thursday the 14th of March to address the mailers that contain information about Faith's Easter schedule. These mailers will be sent to households in the Faith area.
- Parish Education report: Everyone is always welcome and encouraged to attend Sunday school. The Thursday Bible Study has been very well attended.
- Youth report: Youth will be preparing for annual Easter Breakfast. Their annual Lutheran Hills retreat is scheduled for May 17th – 19th.
- OWLS report: Are still collecting money for their Wounded Warrior project. The OWLS will once again be selling desserts during Concerts in the Park. The OWLS will need congregational help with baking items for these weekly events. The Youth have agreed to assist the OWLS with Concerts in the Park and will man the table during 4 concerts. The OWLS yard sale is April 19th and 20th with set up being the evening of the 18th.
- PLOT report: Guess Who is Coming To Dinner was a success with great fellowship and fun being had by all who attended. The annual Spring Picnic is scheduled for May 5th after church. This will be the same Sunday as Meet & Eat so all are encouraged to bring a dish to share. The Plot Team will furnish grilled hamburgers and hotdogs. There will be a congregational pool party at the Taylors on July 20th. The PLOT team is also looking at the possibility of hosting a Trivia Night at Faith. All members of Faith, parents from our Girl Scout troop, and parents of our preschoolers will be invited. This evening hopefully will be one of fun and fellowship and an outreach to individuals outside our Faith family. Watch for more information to follow for all of these events. Ken Hawkins will be distributing a survey to find out what sort of future events the congregation might be interested in attending. Finally, June 7th is a potential night for attending a Bats game. Dan Diekhoff moved to accept the Plot report, Kate Blough seconded, motion passed.
- Mutual Ministry report: Have not met
- Pastor-parish relations report: Have not met
- Property report: Cleanup day March 16th at 9:00 am

OLD Business:

1. Where do we stand on the audit? **Not completed. Will be completed before next council meeting.**
2. Where do we stand on getting the signage done? **Dan Diekhoff moved that Scott Rife look into the purchase of signs that would help direct people to the restroom area. Dan also added that Judy Bartram look into what outdoor signage might need to be posted to assist First Responders. Kate Blough seconded, Motion passed.**
3. Revision of the "Who to call" list. **Judy Bartram volunteered to look into and update the "Who to Call" list.**
4. Coordinate shepherd lists, Arlys Johnson will update and assign council members to the shepherd list.

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OLD Business:

5. **Mouse in the house-** The church mouse is dead
6. **Staff meetings on Tuesdays...** Judy attended the staff meeting last Tuesday and Carol Taylor updated my calendar (see revisions.) **Basically, during the latest meeting the staff updated the calendar. In the future it is hoped that the staff will be able to spend more time on pressing issues.**
7. **Permission/usage 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?* –Ken, were any changes made or considered regarding this form? **This topic was tabled to a later date.**
8. **Pastor-parish committee relation.** I spoke with Patti and Lyle both. Patti and Lyle are scheduled to discuss what additional responsibilities Patti is assuming while Lyle is recusing himself from the Pastor-parish committee. I have not received any feedback from anyone since my first conversation with Patti. **This committee plans on meeting in April. Dan Diekhoff moved that during this meeting the committee should define and provide to the congregation the responsibilities and duties of the Pastor-parish relations committee as well as the Mutual Ministries committee. Pastor agreed to have this done. Mike Baugh seconded the motion. Motion passed.**
9. **Website Calendar & events.** The current site has been updated with the new calendar I created. If you view the site in Google Chrome however, you will notice it doesn't look right. According to Rick, the site was developed before Chrome and needs to be restructured to accept all other browsers. This is a very time-consuming project and will have to be addressed at a later date. **The website has been updated.**
10. Council retreat- When, where & why? Maybe May or June? **This item has been tabled until the next meeting.**

NEW BUSINESS

1. **(From Judy):** “Mutual Ministry meetings with Pastor, Bob Parish, Kathy Holman and Dick Klemens are not happening, why????? **Meetings will happen soon.**

2. **Schedule a time** for the meeting with Pastor, Lyle, me and you (and Patti?) **Judy Bartram will work with the above individuals to set a time.**

3. **Financial Treasurer:** I spoke with David Bartram re: the treasurer position but he did not get back with me with an answer. Rick Barr called last night and said Arlys and Dennis Johnson are interested and willing to assume this position. They will likely use the Quicken program (which is different from what Bill Holman has been using.) Bill will work with Arlys and Dennis to establish the database and get them acquainted with Treasurer Responsibilities. **Kate Blough moved to Thank the Johnsons for stepping up and volunteering for this important position. Dan Diekhoff seconded. Motion passed.**

4. **Writing checks:** We need at least 2 more people authorized to write checks on the church account in addition to Arlys and Dennis. They will serve as emergency back-up bill-payers. Any volunteers? **Council decided it would be best if the Council President and past President be able to sign checks. Rick Barr will also have the ability to sign checks.**

5. Miscellaneous:

Dan Diekhoff volunteered to preach on June 9th while Pastor is at the Synod assembly.

Pastor will be on vacation during April 28th and May 5th. Pastor will look for pulpit fill in.

Next meeting will tentatively be scheduled for April 14th.

Minutes faithfully submitted,

Scott Rife

