

COUNCIL MINUTES

SCOTT RIFE



Minutes of Congregational Council Meeting

May 13, 2013



The meeting of the Faith Congregational Council was called to order at 5:55pm by President Kate Blough. Pastor Scott Meier offered a prayer as our opening devotions.

Members present were Pastor Scott Meier, Kate Blough, Judy Bartram, Arlys Johnson, Dan Diekhoff, Kenny Hawkins and Mike Baugh. Absent were Scott Rife, Don Walker and Rick Barr.

As a part of exploring our vision and purpose, it was suggested that Kate Baugh explore the possibility of using the News and Tribune as a way to get the word out about our ministry opportunities in the community. She agreed to contact Brenda Doorman and explore ways to utilize our local press.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved. All reports from committees were approved.

Motion was made and seconded that Treasurer Dennis Johnson, be authorized to explore debt reduction using our CD's which are yielding about .2% to pay down our mortgage which is costing us 5.7% and to contact all appropriate parties for their approval. Motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize Dennis Johnson and other signatories to not renew the 2 CD's pending action on the above motion. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to encourage Dan Diekhoff to expand the membership of the Stewardship committee in an effort to refocus that committee to include other forms of stewardship other than financial giving, and to encourage that committee to meet on a regular basis. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Council authorize the expenditure of up to \$300.00 for the Fall Homecoming and New member welcome celebration scheduled for November 3, 2013. Motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the property committee continue to pursue a solution to the range hoods and the lock pursuant to the Fire Marshall's recommendations following our last inspection. Motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the annual council retreat to be held at the home of Dan and Judy Diekhoff on June 22, 2013 be held from 10am to 1pm and that Pastor Scott Meier and President Kate Blough meet to develop the theme and content of that retreat. Motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to allow the Girl Scouts to change their meeting time from 6pm -7:30pm every other Sunday to 3pm-4:30pm every other Sunday beginning August 25, 2013. In addition, the Girl Scout leaders would like to meet every 3rd Monday from 6pm-7:30pm Motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to have Arlys Johnson meet and work with the Evangelism team to explore ways that the Shepherding lists can be used as an effective communication tool for the congregation. Motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Next meeting will be the June 22, 2013 retreat

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor Scott Meier
Secretary pro tem