

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

SCOTT RIFE



Council Meeting Agenda

August 12, 2013



Kate Blough

Call to order 6:30 pm

Roll Call All members present

ROLL CALL:

___ Scott Meier	Pastor	smeier1852@gmail.com	260-273-1250
___ Kate Blough	President	kbat_tig@yahoo.com	812-207-8919
___ Judy Bartram	Vice President	bartramdj@yahoo.com	502-548-4472
___ Arlys Johnson	OWLS	arlysjohnson@twc.com	502-295-0657
___ Dan Diekhoff	Stewardship	dandwoodking@twc.com	812-256-4519
___ Kenny Hawkins	PLOT/Fin. Secretary	kennethhawkinsjr@twc.com	502-291-7573
___ Scott Rife	Secretary/Youth	ti3wood@yahoo.com	812-284-1157
___ Don Walker	Adult Education	Donald_wall@msn.com	812-283-9018
___ Rick Barr		rickb@bigfrog.com	812-207-7431
___ Mike Baugh	Property	elevenx@twc.com	812-256-2528

Barb Brewster requests 10 minutes of our time to discuss fellowship hall sound system proposal. There was discussion in the past about the addition of a sound system for the Emma Schoen fellowship hall. Barb and Sonny Brewster looked into the this issue and presented council with two different sound system scenarios. First Barb presented a four speaker system and sound equipment that would cost around \$1500 hundred dollars plus an additional amount for the equipment installation. The second scenario consisted of a two speaker system and necessary equipment to power the speakers. This system would be more portable and could be used inside and out. Council was informed that Barb and Sonny would donate the new system to the church. Council and Barb decided that the two speaker system would best fit our needs. Barb was asked if she knew what the cost of adding a wireless microphone and cd player to the system would be. Barb said she would check into the costs for those additions. Pastor Meier moved that Faith accept the generous sound system donation from the Brewsters. Judy Bartram seconded, motion passed. Kate moved that Barb report back to council on the cost of the addition of the wireless microphone and CD player and report to council so we could decide how to pay for those additions if we decided to add them. Scott Rife seconded, motion passed. Dan Diekhoff and Mike Baugh said they would look into building a cabinet on casters to house this new system.

Opening devotions: Pastor read from Exodus 4, 1-2. These readings told the story of God telling Moses to go to Egypt to set his people free. God asked Moses what he had to give to God. Pastor asked each council member what we had to give. Previous meeting minutes were motioned for approval by Dan Diekhoff, seconded by Don Walker. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Dennis Johnson reported all bills had been paid up through August 12, 2013. Dennis informed council that before the congregation moved to pay off part of our mortgage we were paying \$641.89/month interest on the loan. After we paid off a portion of the mortgage our interest payments went down to \$248.26/month. The topic on when to pay Patti Smith for her secretarial duties while on medical leave came up. Judy Bartram moved that we pay Patti while she was off due to surgery. Rick Barr seconded, motion passed. Council was also informed that Dennis Johnson and Rick Barr were looking into the possibility of securing a line of credit for the church. After reviewing the treasurer's report it was noticed that Faith is still making payments for Laura Meier's medical insurance on behalf of Calvary Lutheran. This practice began last year and Faith was eventually reimbursed for this expense by Calvary. It was decided that this policy needed to change and a certified letter would be sent to Calvary requesting reimbursement for payments made through August of this year. The current total for this year's payments amounts to \$4284.88 through August. Finally, Dennis thanked all teams and groups who utilize the copier for cutting way back on their use of high priced color copies. Because of our limiting color copies our copier expense has come way down. Dan Diekhoff motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, Don Walker seconded, Motion Passed.

Financial Secretary's Report: In July giving averaged \$3067.91/week. Many thanks go out to all who support Faith's mission either financially or by sharing your talents. It was noted that Faith preschool contributed \$1400 back to Faith. Dan Diekhoff moved to accept the Financial Secretary's report, Don Walker seconded, Motion passed.

Pastor's Report: Pastor made several visits and helped and attended VBS during July. Pastor also reported that he enjoyed attending the Network of Biblical Storytellers Festival in Ashville, NC. Early in August. He hoped to utilize what he had learned during this festival. Dan Diekhoff moved to accept Pastor's report, Arlys Johnson seconded, motion passed.

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Council President's Report: Kate made visits as time allowed to Faith shut-ins Don Smith, and Ann Steaban. Kate has been in correncece with Karen Rider (Haiti Orphanage) and Dale Foelker (Kids against Hunger) regarding a possible service project for Faith. Both Karen and Dale will be at Faith on September 8th to present more information after church. Their visit will be tied into a pitch-in meal. Kate also has been and will be involved with some of the upcoming youth events. Pastor Scott moved to accept the President's report, Scott Rife seconded, motion passed.

Adult Education Project: Don Walker reported that he is still meeting with state officials about this project. There will be a meeting on August 22nd at Faith with state officials to further discuss this project. Potential training for this new outreach could begin as soon as January of 2014. Arlys Johnson moved to accept Don's report, Mike Baugh seconded, Motion passed.

Stewardship had no report.

Evangelism: The Evangelism team did not meet last month, but Dan Diekhoff reported about the November 3rd Faith reunion. Events for the day will be focused on Connections. First how music connects us with the world. Secondly, staying connected as a Faith family and who we connect to. Finally, staying connected across generations. Arlys Johnson moved to accept Dan's report, Scott Rife seconded, motion carried.

Parish Education Report: will be included in the newsletter.

Youth Report: the youth will be attending a day of fun and Christian music on August 24th at Holiday World.

Owls: The Owls will host a pitch-in on August 20th at 5:30. Previous Faith members Mike and Marilyn Czape will share information about their works at the Haven House and probably information about their beautification program at the intersection of Middle Rd. and Allison Lane. Mike Baugh moved to accept this report, Scott Rife seconded, motion passed.

Plot: The Faith Fantasy Football league begins soon. It looks like there will be 10 teams this year. We have scheduled October 25th for our annual Trunk or Treat. More information will follow. Arlys Johnson moved to accept the report, Pastor Scott seconded, motion passed.

Mutual Ministries and Pastor-parish relations: No report.

Property: Property reported that all safety code issues that had been pointed out have been addressed. Judy Bartram will contact the fire department to come make an inspection. It was brought to council's attention that the heating/cooling units in the secretary's and pastor's office need to be replaced. Mike Baugh representing the property team said they would look into this issue. Scott Rife moved to accept the property report, Ken Hawkins seconded, motion carried.

OLD Business:

Who is counting on the 18th & the 24th of August? Scott Rife volunteered to be the financial assistant on these days.

Safety code violations: Are we there yet? See Property report.

Council retreat follow-up: I have been in correspondence with Karen Rider (Haiti Orphanage) and Dale Foelker (Kids against Hunger; KAH regarding our retreat project idea. Tim Moody has agreed to give the KAH presentation and would need at least 15 min. plus Karen Riders has a great presentation which will take about 20 minutes. The proposed date is September 8th- so do we invite them to present before or after church? My suggestion is after and host a pitch-in luncheon (eat- while they give their presentation.) **See President's report.**

NEW BUSINESS

Ken Hawkins spoke about the current and immediate need for the homeless people around Exit 0 in Jeffersonville. Many homeless people are being displaced because of the new bridge construction site. Ken has been talking with individuals who are involved with this project. It seems that because of the bridge construction there is an immediate need for blankets, socks, tents, and tarps. Ken hoped that Faith could help these unfortunate individuals in some way. Dan Diekhoff moved that it was important for our congregation to help these individuals and that we focus on providing items they could use such as Blankets and Charcoal. Ken Hawkins seconded the motion. Much discussion followed leading to Dan's original motion to be amended. The amendment asked Ken to check and see if charcoal was something the homeless could use or even if it was allowed. Arlys Johnson called for a vote on the motion on the floor. The motion was defeated. Arlys Johnson then moved that Ken check with individuals involved with Exit 0 to see what items were needed be it tents/tarps/and blankets and where Faith can help. Ken will then report back to Council and Faith as soon as possible. Ken will then announce what we will try to collect to help these individuals during church. Dan Diekhoff seconded the new motion the motion passed

Staff meeting and calendar: (Judy Bartram) Meet & Eat... At the staff meeting it was decided to cancel monthly Meet & Eat Sundays because it was difficult for small teams and a few individuals to always set up and clean up this event. The staff suggested that some form of Meet & Eat be held once a quarter. Dan Diekhoff moved that we go to a quarterly pitch-in format more as a social time for Faith's members. Monthly team meetings will still be encouraged. Kate also agreed that we should have a quarterly pitch-in because pitch-ins seem to bring out the best in Faith. Pastor seconded the motion, motion passed

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Insight email addresses are going away... please update your email! Because of the changes of Insight now being Time Warner Cable many of our e-mail addresses have changed. Please contact Patti Smith with your new addresses.

The next two council meetings will be held on September 9th at 6:00 pm.and October 14th at 6:00pm

Faithfully submitted,

Scott Rife

