

COUNCIL MINUTES

SCOTT RIFE

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Vice President Judy Bartram

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

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kate Blough	President	kbat_tig@yahoo.com	812-207-8919
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<input type="checkbox"/> Kenny Hawkins	PLOT/Fin. Secretary	kennethhawkinsjr@ywc.com	502-291-7573
<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 type="checkbox"/> Rick Barr	Evangelism	rickb@bigfrog.com	812-207-7431
<input type="checkbox"/> Mike Baugh	Property	elevenx@twc.com	812-256-2528

X denotes Council member not present

Opening devotions: Pastor provided a Prayer for the opening devotions

Approval of minutes from previous meeting: Arlys Johnson moved to approve the previous meeting minutes as read. Judy Bartram seconded: Motion passed

Treasurer's report: Dennis Johnson presented the Treasurer's report, Arlys Johnson moved to accept this report, and Don Walker seconded: Motion carried. Dan Diekhoff asked if it was possible to designate Thrivent "Choice Dollars" that have been donated to Faith. Dennis Johnson reported that "Choice Dollars" automatically are deposited into Faith's banking account by Thrivent with no specific designation on them. Dennis suggested that if an individual knew "Choice Dollar" funds were being deposited they could contact him with the amount and where the funds should be designated.

Dennis Johnson made a motion that \$2223.64 from the Emma Shoen memorial be provided to the youth director as seed money for a scholarship fund to provide Faith youth funding to be able to participate in local youth events i.e.; South Central Conference events. The distribution of funds would be at the discretion of the youth director. Don Walker seconded the motion. Much discussion followed. Dan Diekhoff asked if Dennis would amend his motion to say that these funds \$2223.64 be provided in three payments over the next three years for a total of \$741.21/annually. Dennis accepted this amendment, Don Walker seconded the newly amended motion Motion passed.

Dennis Johnson reported that our current budget has two line items "Sabbatical Fund" with \$8000.77 as its current balance and "Pastor's Professional ?" fund with a balance of around \$3500. These line items are basically for the same use. Because of the duplication of these funds Arlys Johnson moved that council recommend to the congregation that the \$8000.77 in the "Sabbatical Fund" be applied to the current mortgage, and once we have the mortgage paid off the Sabbatical Fund would be repaid for this amount. Don Walker seconded the motion. Discussion followed, Ken Hawkins asked if we have had to borrow from this fund recently for any reason. It was noted that several years ago this fund was utilized to help with some bills during a tight financial period. Pastor was asked if he planned on utilizing the "Sabbatical Fund" monies in the near future. He said he had no current need. The motion was put to a vote and passed.

Financial Secretary's report: There was no Financial Secretary's report.

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Pastor's report: December is a busy month at Faith and for Pastor. Along with worship services and their preparation pastor made several pastoral calls, conducted a wedding, and baptism. Pastor was also involved with many of the Faith activities that center on the holidays. Scott Rife moved to accept pastor's report, Dan Diekhoff seconded, the motion passed.

Council President's report: It has been a pleasure and an honor to serve on the church council in the role of president during 2013. This experience has given me a new perspective on what it's like to oversee the operations of the church. With this new perspective, I also am acutely aware of my strengths and weaknesses as a leader- and humbly give up the mantle. I will continue to stay on council for one more year as a committee member and look forward to the guidance, leadership and fellowship ahead of us all. I regret I will not be attending the annual meeting this year as I will be out of town celebrating my daughter's birthday. I will also continue to serve as church-school teacher on the 4th Sunday of every month and lead our Girl Scout troop wherever its path will take me! Thank you for your support and fellowship!

-Kate Blough

Adult Education Project: There was an organizational meeting on November 19th at 1:30 pm that 13 people attended. There will be meetings with the state on January 16th and a meeting with the steering committee and possibly some individuals from the state on January 17th. This project is moving rapidly and training could possibly begin in February. Don Walker talked with the Jeffersonville library about providing some materials for this project. The library plans on donating older periodicals that would be pertinent to adults. Don stressed that we need the entire congregation to buy into this much needed program. Dan Diekhoff moved that once we find out how many laptops will be needed to support this program that we make the congregation aware of the need in hopes that some may be donated. Mike Baugh seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Stewardship report: No report.

Evangelism report: No report.

Parish Education report: No report.

Youth report: Met Sunday 1/12/14 Youth Sunday will be on February 23. Faith has three seniors this year including Jack Hayes, Eric Miller, and Matt Holden

OWLS report: No report, have not met recently.

PLOT report: Will meet and plan soon.

Mutual Ministry report: No report.

Pastor-parish relations report: Have not met

Property report: Mike Baugh made a property presentation as part of new business. .

OLD Business: No old business

- **NEW Business:**
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- The annual meeting: Council will provide meat- who will pick it up? What will we serve? Fried chicken has been a winner in the past...
- **(Chicken for the meeting will probably be purchased from Kroger. Arrangements are being made.)**