

Congregation Council Meeting
July 16, 2019
7:00 PM

MINUTES

I. Call to Order at 7:00p

- A. Attendance:** Mark Blower, Rick Doty, Susan Mathieu, Nina McNally, Molly Olszewski, Denise Rohrbach, Mark Stanziola, Bob Stevens, Kathy Everleth, Pastor Ric Elliott, Vicar Tami Reichley, Chris McGrath and Dianne Justesen
- B. Excused Absences** Pastor Spencer Steele, Mark Binkley and Jeff Hartman
- C. Devotions:** Mark Blower

II. Approval of minutes from the June 18, 2019 Council meeting

Motion to approve minutes (with suggested revisions) by Rick Doty and second by Diane. Approved.

III. Staff Reports

Pastor Spencer Steele – Serving as Chaplain at Bear Creek Camp for the week

Chris Carter – The Mission Investment Fund loan has been requested to remain open; as final plans are made related to the Capital Campaign

IV. Mission Team Reports/Items for Council

Mission Teams are encouraged to plan and schedule ahead as much as possible – for example, look ahead and into 2020 to avoid conflicts. Council liaisons can encourage this activity.

Staff Relations –

- The name of the Mission Team will be changed to “Staff Support”. There is no constitutional limitation to changing the name.
- The team is currently conducting routine interviews (check-ins) with staff.
- New members to the team include Glenn Hinderliter and Lorie Stout.

Faith Formation for Adults –

- John Mosovsky retired as the chair for Center for Faith and Life (CFL)
- Diane Justesten and Jennifer Day Roth will take over CFL as co-chairs
- The team is looking for diversity by adding any male members – some ideas for members were shared and any additional names are welcome.

Faith Formation for Children –

- The mission team is looking to fill the vacancy of the coordinator for Trunk or Treat.

Technology –

- The ability to complete forms and make payments online is currently being rolled out.
- Council Meeting minutes are posted on the website
- The posting of podcast is still pending; an owner to manage the process needs to be identified.

V. Old Business

A. Capital Campaign Update

Activity is in progress; a brochure is in development.

B. Church Security

- In June, Chris McGrath and Bob Stevens attended the quarterly meeting for security awareness at Faith Church.
- LCHS received a 30-page police report following their assessment of our facilities with numerous potential action items.
- Next steps will include putting together an Action Team consisting of members of the congregation; to start meeting in August/September.

VI. New Business

A. Mission Statement

A motion during the 2019 Annual Meeting was made to approve changes to wording in the mission statement but, due to a considerable amount of discussion, further review of the proposed wording was sent back to Council. Bob Stevens requested volunteers (from within Council) to form a small group to start this review process.

VII. Next Steps

A. Next Meeting Date: August 20, 2019 at 7p

B. To Do/Assignments:

1. **Devotions:** Chris McGrath

VIII. Adjournment at 8:10

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Diane Justensen with second by Mark Blower.