

November 2017 Voters Meeting

Members Present: Pat Glover, Darwyn Glover, Terry Koebernick, Laverne Koebernick, Barbee Knecht, Ed Stone, Dave Calvert, Sheila Floyd, Daryl Daum, Dennis Bloch, Judy Bloch, Richard Quandt, Cindy Quandt, Tom Gesell, Robert Billiar, Debi Hammer

Opening Prayer by President Glover

Terry Koebernick made a motion to approve the October Minutes. 2nd by Richard Quandt. Passed.

Terry Koebernick made a motion to approve the October Treasurer's Report. 2nd by Tom Gesell. Passed.

Pat Glover made a motion to approve the October Financial Secretary's Report. 2nd by Ed Stone. Passed.

Richard Quandt made a motion to approve the October Individual Financial Reports. 2nd by Laverne Koebernick. Passed.

Education: The Board met on Nov. 1st and the 15th. New Sunday School materials were ordered for the winter 2018 quarter. The Christmas Program was discussed. It will be held after church on Dec. 17th at 10:30 a.m. The 2018 VBS program was selected and ordered. The theme is "Splash Canyon". It is the program offered by CPH this year. A 6th member was discussed, and we have a final list of potential members. They will be asked if they are willing to serve. So far there are no responses. We will be asking different businesses from the area to donate "prizes" for Sunday School attendance (in the form of coupons, etc.). Updating job descriptions to clarify wording is a work in progress.

Trustees: The new parking signs for the elderly have been installed. The old wooden posts were removed, and new metal posts were cemented in and the signs were put back on. We received \$410 for the sale of the shed. The cement work for the footings for the new shed is complete. The sensors in the east hallway will be looked at. The Trustees will call Metro Electric to see if the sensors can be reset.

Elders: The Board of Elders met twice in November. On November 1st there were 6 members present. Opening by Pastor Awe. Helping with Communion on Nov. 5th is Terry Koebernick and Ed Stone, Nov. 22nd is Dave Calvert and Ed Stone, Dec. 3rd is Kevin Diediker and Richard Quandt, and Dec. 6th is Dave Calvert. Elders will lead Worship services on Wed. Nov. 8th, Sunday, Nov. 12th and Wed., Nov. 15th. Motion by Kevin Diediker to make the part-time Secretary a salaried

position with a 24-hour workweek. Second by Terry Koebernick. Motion passes 5 to 1. A new section will be added to the job description to include compensation. Discussed Worship plans for Advent and Christmas. The time for the Christmas Eve candlelight is 7:00 p.m. Christmas Day Worship with Holy Communion will be at 9:15a.m. The Sunday School program will be on Sunday, Dec. 17th. Elders will meet with the Mission Board on Tuesday, Nov. 7th to further discuss the Hispanic ministry. Pastor Witte will be invited to attend. The amount of the Secretary's Social Security on the 2018 budget is wrong. Ed Stone will meet with Treasurer Pat Glover to get this corrected before the Voters Meeting on the 21st. Meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer. The Board of Elders met again on Nov. 7th with 4 Elders Pastor Awe and Pastor Witte. Mission Board members present were Sharon Weber, Melissa Reed, and Clarrene Leffler. Opening prayer by Pastor Awe. The Boards of Elders and Missions met jointly to discuss Hispanic Ministry opportunities. Items discussed: SLIMM has no RSO (Registered Service Organization) status—Our church does. Pastor Witte is committed to the ministry and is willing to be a resource as we move forward. We expect the Voters will have questions about pursuing the mission opportunities to Hispanic Ministries has for us. The 2 boards will meet again at 6 p.m. Nov. 21st before the Voters Meeting to compile a list of questions we might anticipate from the Voters. Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. The Elders met separately and rescinded the Nov. 1st motion to make the Secretary's position salaried. Motion by Richard Quandt and 2nd by Dave Calvert. Passed 4-0.

Stewardship: The Stewardship Board met pm Nov. 9th with 3 members. \$25.00 per month was added to the budget for Vanco. Marie Wakefield will be on the Stewardship Board for a 1-year term. We all agreed that if there is a Wed. evening open during the Advent season, we would host a supper. We will serve pizza casserole, salad, garlic bread, and desserts. Tom talked with Pat Glover about questions on the financial pages. She will move items to boards that are responsible for them. Tom looked at online banking options, and decided it's best to stay with Vanco at this time. Next meeting will be Thur., Jan. 11th at 4:00 p.m. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Missions: The Mission Board met with Pastor on Oct. 25th with 2 members and Pastor present. We discussed the Mission Board Outreach budget with Pastor. We increased the Synod Support as 3% of the offerings for the year was \$5,820. Hispanic Ministry was left the same at \$3,000. Individual Mission Support, Internal Charity Fund and Community Charity were deleted as we did not know what they were used for. Light of the World Outreach was left at \$600. Concordia Seminary Support was added at \$250 for student support. There is a need for future pastors. Annual Stewardship Program increased to \$500 and will go to Sarah Kanoy on Dec. 3rd when she comes to speak. Poland Mission Support of \$1,000 was added. Lutheran Family Services of Iowa, \$500 and Her Health \$500. We have added \$3,300 to the Friendship

Committee and this now makes our annual budget \$15,720. We would like to get a few more people on the Board. The Friendship Committee will serve Advent supper on Wed. Dec. 13th. We want to thank all who gave to the Friendship dinner. The proceeds of \$673.48 will go to Missionary Sara Kanoy when she comes to speak on Dec. 3rd. We are working on Christmas gifts for the Elder Care and our college youth.

President's Report: Thank you for coming. Thank you to the Boards for their diligent work. Keep up the good work.

Pastor's Report: No Report.

Old Business: The upgrade and repair of the interior doors and frames are still in the works. The storage shed is being upgraded to a 12x24. The old shed was sold for \$410.00. The City Council had to approve the storage shed and all the permits had to be in order. All specks had to go through the Council. The bricks around the church sign are ready to be secured. Just waiting for some warmer weather. The Christmas decorations have been taken to the church and the church needs to be decorated before the Advent season. The Conference room is still being put together. Still looking for a table.

New Business: The Advent suppers are as follows. November 29th the Ladies Aid serves. December 6th is the Stewardship Board. December 13th is the Friendship Committee. December 20th are the Men of the church. The 2018 Budget needed to be approved. The corrections were made under the Stewardship Board and the Mission Board. Terry Koebernick made a motion to approve the Budget. 2nd by Ed Stone. Passed. The bathroom partitions need repaired. They can be painted. We could possibly put down new tile floors. The flooring will either be donated or purchased at a discounted price. Robert Billiar made a motion to hold a Voters meeting in December. 2nd by Pat Glover. Passed. The Treasure found out that the church is not tax exempt in Iowa.

A motion by Terry Koebernick 2nd by Richard Quandt to adjourn. Passed.

Meeting Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. Sheila Floyd, Secretary