

**BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
PLANNING COUNCIL MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 15, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER** – Hal Fisher 6:30 PM

**Roll Call**

Hal Fisher	X	Jenn Plummer Board of Lay	X
Art Grochow	X	Board of Property	A
Pat Pithey	X	Blake Peterson	A
Sandi Gilbertson	X	Guests: Larissa Gilbertson, Taylor Bollinger, Caitlyn Pithey, Laurie Stiller and Karlie Petersen	
Julè Ballinger	X		
Erika Buller	A		
Cyndy Gustafson Board of Education	X		
Angie Cruff	A		

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION** – Art Grochow

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of January 9, 2018 Minutes: Motion by Art Grochow; Second by Cyndy Gustafson (motion carried)

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

<i>December envelope offering:</i>	<i>\$39,435.50</i>
<i>Deficit:</i>	<i>\$(1,636.31)</i>
<i>Checking acct balance:</i>	<i>\$ 1,096.57</i>
<i>Saving acct balance:</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>Building fund balance:</i>	<i>\$ 6,452.16</i>
<i>Capital improvement fund balance:</i>	<i>\$ 1,338.22</i>
<i>Landscaping fund balance:</i>	<i>\$ 1,869.73</i>

Benevolences were paid.

Motion by Cyndy Gustafson; Second by Jenn Plummer (motion carried)

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Listening posts and pot luck with a purpose

- Letter was shared that will be in the Beacon and the Bulletin (blue sheets)

Leadership Retreat

- RSVP updates
- Topic – Joy

- 2PM to 7PM
- Size of congregation

Dishing with the Bishop update from Art

- Worshiping is changing throughout the synod
- Thought he did an excellent job
- Six different denominations where churches are working together and can change pulpits easily

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### *Board Reports:*

Board of Stewardship: Member not present – review minutes

- Report from Julè on the Give+Text - it is being tested
- Angie will do a temple talk on the 25<sup>th</sup> on Give+

Board of Property: Member not present – review minutes

Board of Education: (Cyndy)

- The Houston kids have been working very hard – only about \$1000 left to be raised extra money for students will be used for offering donations in Houston or books for the gathering for the Houston area. The committee that was working on the Houston trip has disbanded.
- Adult education was led by Julè on Sunday – following the Lenten program put together 5 small groups to meet at 10:10 on Sundays and do a bible study on the scripture for the following Wednesday
- Four churches will do a community vacation bible school which will be at United Methodist Church
- Lisa's work schedule is 11 months for this year
- Jim turns 70 on February 26. February 24<sup>th</sup> there will be a birthday party here for him in the centennial room.

Board of Lay: (Jenn)

- Came up with a pew insert for families with young children
- Reviewed the Christmas services and talked about adding a service for next year.
- Talked about the Lenten meals and the boards are assigned
- Potluck with a purpose brainstormed ideas

Board of Outreach: Member not present - review minutes

Raffle for the quilters. They need batting so they are doing the raffle to raise funds for materials for the quilts.

Dates:

Feb 25 – Leadership Retreat 2:00 – 7:00 PM

Mar 4 –Potluck with Purpose

Spiritual Direction will be given in March by: Hal Fischer faith story

Next meeting March 15, 2018 at 6:30 (note change of date)