

**BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
PLANNING COUNCIL MINUTES
December 10, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER – Art Grochow

Roll Call

Hal Fisher	A	Gail Beech Board of Lay	X
Art Grochow	X	Board of Property –Kelly Voss	X
Pat Pithey	A	Pastor Jake	X
Sandi Gilbertson	X		
Erika Buller	X		
Blake Peterson, Board of Outreach	X	Guests:	
Dana Kasowski Board of Education	X		
Angie Cruff , Board of Stewardship	X		

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION – Pastor Jake – The Visitor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A **motion** was made to approve the November 12, 2019 Minutes: Motion by Kelly Voss, Second by Dana Kasowski (motion carried)

TREASURERS REPORT:

2018	August	September	October	November	December
<i>Envelope offering:</i>	\$40,052.21	\$39,778.58	\$41,039.93	\$31,087.00	\$33,919
<i>Deficit:</i>	(\$30,625.09)	(\$24,422.61)	(\$9,517.40)	(\$19,514.34)	(\$23,851.31)
<i>Checking acct balance:</i>	(\$27,892.21)	(\$21,689.73)	(\$6,874.82)	\$13,218.54	\$8,881.57
2019	January	February	March	April	May
<i>Envelope offering:</i>	\$36,498.48	33,928.50	\$30,378.50	\$39,179	\$26,194
<i>Deficit:</i>	(\$7,171.10)	(\$12,900.72)	(\$28,732.36)	(\$35,542.91)	(\$25,781.41)
<i>Checking acct balance:</i>	\$1,710.47	(\$4,019.15)	(\$19,850.79)		(\$32,746)
2019	June	July	August	September	October
<i>Envelope offering:</i>	\$26,002.34	\$27,759	\$23,724	\$40,032.21	\$34,791
<i>Account balance:</i>	(\$34,785.49)	(\$32,965.35)	\$7,214.33	\$21,380.28	\$21,169.19
<i>Checking acct balance:</i>	(\$25,903.92)	(\$24,083.73)	\$16,095.90	\$30,261.85	\$29,061.42
2019	November	December			
<i>Envelope offering:</i>	\$28,390				
<i>Account balance:</i>	\$1,666.92				
<i>Checking acct balance:</i>	\$10,548.49				

A **motion** was made to move the October and November 2019 treasurer's report to audit.
Motion by Kelly Voss, second by Blake Peterson Motion carried

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Update on appeal
 - a. Pledges and additions for a total of \$791,635
2. Implementation team update
 - a. Will be meeting on Thursday
 - b. Sanctuary revitalization update
 - c. Hal Fisher and Lora Lekang
3. Have budgets submitted by December 1 to Executive committee
 - a. Send all reports to Bethel Office
4. Have annual reports complete and submitted by December 1
5. Audit committee – hiring external Nadine Julson, LLC (Daniel) estimated at \$2,500

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Board Reports:

Board of Stewardship: Angie Cruff

Received 72 commitment cards for a total of \$187,508
47 time and talent brochures

Board of Property: Kelly Voss

Asbestos survey
Pastors headset issues – may need to replace
BLCW cabinet request – working on this
Brian brought in a sample of a chair for the sanctuary

Board of Education: Dana Kasowski

December 15th at 4:00 will be the Christmas program
Advent fair at 6:30 – Bingo first
Change the bylaws from three subcommittees to two
Safe Youth Guidelines

Board of Lay: Gail Beech

Planning parties – Pastor Jake's and Ashley's
Worked on the budget
Decorated the church
January 12 will do an usher orientation
Beacon information on announcements was sent to church office

Board of Outreach: Blake Peterson

Donated funds to pay unpaid school lunch balances

Dana Anderson helped make brochures for welcoming visitors

2. Bishop Terry update
 - a. Resigned his position to move onto Concordia College
 - b. He is done the 12th of January and there will be an interim
3. Staff update
 - a. Lois Fenske is the new Office Coordinator
 - b. Still working on the financial person

Board Reports – each board email minutes to Bethel office to review prior to planning council meeting

Dates and notables:

Christmas program will be 4:00 – December 15

Christmas Eve services are at 3:00, 5:00 and 9:00

Usher training – January 12 at 10:15

Annual meeting – January 26

Middle school music festival – January 31

Scout Sunday - Pancake feed – February 2

Ash Wednesday – February 26

Wahpeton Conference Assembly meeting – March 15- Gwinner

Synod Assembly – June 6-7

Closing with the Lord's Prayer

Spiritual Direction December – Pastor Jake and Pastor Erika

Next meeting January 14, 2020