

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WAHPETON, ND
Planning Committee – Minutes
5:30 - July 13, 2023

Members Present: Carter Hansen, Diane Finnie, Ginny Buck, Muriel Hedrick, Larry Bethel, Steph Beyer, Janine Berg, Muriel Hedrick, Paul Oehlke, Tricia Kriel

Members Absent: None

Devotions: Carter presented devotions

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Ginny/Janine and approved unanimous

Monthly Financials: Financials were not available. Larry will email them out next week.

Old Business

FFS Capital Campaign Update: FFS reports dated June 30th were made available to the Committee members.

Call Committee Update: Unfortunately, there was no new news from the Call Committee

New Business

Payment on Loan Principal: A lump sum payment of \$75,000 will be made before the end of July out of the FFS fund. Larry also outlined the remainder of proposed payments throughout the 3-year campaign period.

Process of gathering and distributing Committee Information: Committee members were asked to submit minutes to the Church office a week before the Planning Committee meeting. Copies of the minutes will be sent out to planning committee members.

Review of Pastor Tom's contract: Carter reviewed with the Committee the terms of Pastor Tom's contract when he returns in August.

Nominating Committee: Carter brought up the issue that the Church Bylaws state that a nominating committee needs to be formed. To start the process, the committee members were asked to go back to their committees and find out who's terms were ending and which members of their committees would be willing to serve on the nominating committee.

Committee Reports:

Board of Outreach: Tricia Kriel reported that the Board of Outreach will be attending NDSCS Block Property on August 20th.

Board of Lay: Steph Beyer reported that VBS has been moved to early part of August. She also reported that the committee was at an impasse concerning having "Worship in the park" the Planning Committee was asked for their input. Steph will take the Planning Committee comments back to her committee.

Board of Stewardship: Muriel Hedrick reported on the planning for fall consecration Sunday.

Board of Property: Paul Oehlke reported that because of (Jeff) our custodian's medical situation "helping hands" are working with Jeff to get the custodial work done. Paul also brought up issues concerning the Church roof repair, Thermostat replacement - 2 companies are giving bids. Roof replacement on storage shed and Facia repair on the west side of the church building.

Board of Education: Janine Berg reported on camp scholarships, Valley Fair Trip, Youth Retreat
With no more business to come before the committee the meeting was adjourned.