

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

WAHPETON, ND

Planning Committee – Minutes

October 13, 2023 – 5:30 PM

Meeting called to order by Carter at 5:30 PM.

Members Present: Carter Hansen, Steph Beyer, Diane Finnie, Ginny Buck, Muriel Hedrick, Lara Lekang, Lisa Bassingthwaite, Joyce Johnson

Members Absent: Janine Berg, Tricia Kriel

- I. Devotions: Ginny presented devotions and opening prayer.
- II. Approval of Minutes: Step/Muriel a motion to accept the September 14, 2023 Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.
- III. Monthly Financials: Larry presented the September 2023 financials. They were previously accepted by the Executive Board so no action was taken.
- IV. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. FFS Capital Campaign Update: Joyce reviewed the latest information on the FFS Capital Campaign. No action was taken.
 - B. Call Committee Update: Carter has received notice that no candidates are in contention for the pastoral position at this time. Carter discussed with the Planning Committee a process for accepting a potential call when it happens. He asked the Committee members to give it some thought and he would bring it up again at a future meeting.
- V. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Nominating Committee: Ginny reported that the following members have agreed to serve on the nominating committee: Paul Oehlke, Pat Pithey, Sharon Kotner, Jeff Olson, and Harvey Link. The committee members are busy making contact with Church members to serve on various boards.
 - B. 3rd Qtr. Financial ReviewL Larry Reported that a 3rd quarter financial review will take place in the Fellowship Hall between services on Sunday 10/22.

C. New Custodian introduction. Jeff Kugel has resigned and Julie Dixon has been hired to take the position.

D. Board Budgets. Board members were reminded to turn in 2024 budgets ASAP

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VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Board of Outreach- No minutes available

B. Board of Lay- Steph Beyer reported on the following items: Setting up decorating committee, reviewal of usher orientation, Pastor appreciation month (October), Ecumenical Service (November 19th), Planning Christmas Eve Services, Live Nativity (December 17th)..

C. Board of Stewardship: Met in September but no minutes were taken.

D. Board of Education: Met on September 19th; however, due to a lack of quorum no action was taken and no minutes were taken.

E. Board of Properties- Lara Lekang reported on the following: Outdoor chimes repair, replacement of hotwater heater, repair of soffit & fascia that was blown down this spring, replacement of shed roof, main flat roof replacement/repair, work on HVAC items.

Adjournment: With no more business to come before the committee the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Larry Bethel, Secretary