

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

WAHPETON, ND

Planning Committee – Minutes

December 14, 2023

Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM by Carter

Members Present: Ginny Buck, Tricia Kriel, Carter Hansen, Stephanie Beyer, Paul Oehlke, Muriel Hedrick, Lisa Bassingthwaite, Diane Finnie, Janine Berg, Pastor Tom

Members Absent: Joyce Johnson

- I. Scripture and Devotions were Presented by Pastor Tom
- II. The November 16, 2023 Minutes were approved on a motion and second by Muriel/Stephanie and passing unanimously.
- III. Financial Reports were presented by Larry, no action was necessary, because they were approved by the Executive committee.
- IV. A Novmeber 26th FFS Capital Campaign Update was presented. No action was taken.
- V. Old Business
 - A. Nominating Committee – Ginny presented a sample ballot. No changes were made. Sample ballots will be made available to the congregation.
- Vii. New Business
 - B. Preliminary Budget – Carter presented a report for the Planning Committee to consider concerning the current financial status of the congregation as well as a proposed 2024 projected budget. It was decided that after Christmas a budget slide will be put into the blue sheets and a copy of part of Carter's report will be put on the announcement section of the Power Point presented at the Sunday worship services. Carter will also make a personal presentation to the congregation sometime in January, before the annual meeting.
 - C. Stewardship Committee - Tricia /Stephanie made a motion to add an item to the annual meeting agenda to make a constitutional change that would make Board of Stewardship a standing committee. After further consideration Carter/ Tricia motioned to amend the original motion to state that The Stewardship Committee and Memorial committee would become subcommittee's under the Executive Committee. The amendment motion

passed unanimously and the amended original motion also passed unanimously.

- VI. BOARD REPORTS – Board minutes are posted on the website, thus detail information on the reports given at the meeting are not contained in these minutes.
- A. Board of Outreach- Tricia Kriel reported on several items.
 - B. Board of Lay- Stephanie Beyer reported
 - C. Board of Stewardship – Muriel Hedrick reported
 - D. Board of Education – Janine Berg reported
 - a. A request was made to change Wednesday services from 6:45 to 6:35. by general consent the Planning Committee approved. The Lay Committee members will be contacted and their opinion will be reported back to the Board of Ed.
 - E. Board of Properties- Paul reported on several items concerning the Board of Properties.

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

Respectfully Submitted
Larry Bethel, Secretary