

Trinity Lutheran Church  
Executive Council Minutes  
August 11, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 8:38 am by Cheri Carsten and opened with a short devotion and prayer led by Pastor Hafeman based on Psalm 46:1 and 46:10. God is here among us. He reigns and is in control of our lives. He is our refuge and our strength. He is almighty.

Quorum was established. Present at the meeting were Pastor Hafeman, Cheri Carsten, Paul Jackson, Linda Gold, Vicki Akin, Ken & Pam Clavir, and Les Durdy.

Minutes of the July 14, 2018 Council Meeting were distributed to Officers, Board Members and Chairs by email prior to the meeting. After review, a motion to approve the minutes was made and seconded. The motion passed. The minutes will be posted to the church website.

Minutes of the June 3, 2018 Voters Meeting were distributed to Officers, Board Members and Chairs by email prior to the meeting. After review, a motion to approve the minutes was made and seconded. The motion passed. The minutes will be posted to the church website pending final approval at the December Voters Meeting.

**Reports:**

**Treasurer** The overall Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual Statement for July 2018 through June 2019 was distributed at the meeting. Vicki reported that the new budget numbers are entered into the computer. As of August 10<sup>th</sup>, Total Income was at 9.3% and Total Expenses were at 8.6%. Maintenance was high because of the electrical work done in the cafeteria and sewage pump, Office Expense was high because of computer and software expense, and Insurance Expense was high because payments are made quarterly. After review, a motion to approve the July financial report was made and seconded. The motion passed.

**Board Reports**

**The Board of Elders and Spiritual Ministries**

1. Ken said that the Board reviewed the "Back to School Sunday" plans. Sunday's sermon will include the school theme of "Real, Present, God."
2. An Elder's group is researching senior resources for a presentation on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.
3. Funeral and Memorial Service planning forms are now available on the Trinity website.
4. The Elders discussed using a service to send postcards to new people moving into the community for a minimal cost.
5. The Board discussed how to reach sports students in junior high & high school.

**The Board of Property Ministries**

1. Les reported that all equipment is maintained, working, and operational.
2. Current projects:
  - a. HVAC repairs are on schedule for August 15th-17th
  - b. Roof repairs at the church and school are not needed at this time
  - c. The irrigation pump problem and parking lot light fixture are fixed
  - d. The garden is recovering from the recent hail storm
  - e. Cafeteria and sewage pump electrical work is completed
  - f. Painting, weeds, and landscape work is in progress
  - g. Metal railing repair and swing set move need to be done soon

### **The Board of Education Ministries**

1. Pam said that the Board is recommitted to one ministry of church and school and will encourage unchurched school parents into the church.
2. Pickers Paradise raised over \$1,000, not including Pork-Chop-on-a-Stick sales.
3. The first day of Sunday school is September 9<sup>th</sup>.
4. Cook's Night Out is September 25<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall.
5. The preschool is full with 40 students and a waiting list, K-8 has 38 students currently registered. Boo Hoo – Woo Hoo welcoming will be on first day of school at 8:15 am.
6. PTL meetings are the first Thursday of every month.

### **The Board of Financial and Stewardship Ministries**

1. Cash flow is good.
2. Vicki is working on notes for clarifying the categories on our giving envelopes.
3. Kristen Meritt is looking into accident compensation with the insurance company after the recent car crash that demolished the outside HVAC units.

### **Old Business:**

None

### **New Business:**

Election voting is October 19<sup>th</sup> through November 7<sup>th</sup> and Life Line Screening is November 8<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall.

Missionary John Wolf will visit Trinity on Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> for worship and Bible Study and will speak about the center of Lutheranism in Africa.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:53 am.

The meeting closed with a prayer led by Pastor Hafeman.

The next meeting of the Executive Council will be held on September 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am.