Trinity Lutheran Church Voters Meeting Minutes December 9, 2018

The Voters Meeting was called to order by Cheri Carsten at 12:37 pm and opened with the singing of the Doxology by the members followed with a prayer led by Pastor Hafeman.

A total of 34 voting members signed the registration sheets. A quorum was established.

Minutes of the corrected December 3, 2017 Voters Meeting were made available to members prior to the meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The minutes will be posted to the church website.

Minutes of the June 3, 2018 Voters Meeting were made available to members prior to the meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The minutes will be posted to the church website.

Financial Status Report

Vicki Akin presented the Treasurer's Report from July 1, 2018 through November 30, 2018. Copies were made available to members prior to the meeting. Vicki reported that Offerings and Other Income and School Income were under budget. After review and a discussion of gift income and the expenses from the insurance claim, a motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Board Reports:

The Board of Elders and Spiritual Ministries

Michael Thuener reported that the Board plans to hold another elderly services resource seminar, "Now What?" in March.

The Board of Financial and Stewardship Ministries

Vicki Akin reported that summer expenses necessitated taking \$50,000 out of the savings account. The current balance in the savings account is \$12,000.

She also presented and discussed a report about the categories on the giving envelopes. She stated that Current Expenses cover all church and school expenses, the Missions money is sent directly to the Rocky Mountain District, and the Building Fund money is sent directly to the LCEF as additional mortgage principal.

Kristen Meritt requested that the members consider using the additional building funds in the summer to make the required mortgage payment. A motion was made and seconded to approve paying the mortgage without making any additional principal payments during the summer months, as needed, at the Finance Board's discretion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board of Property Ministries

Dan Jecminek reported that the installation of the new HVAC units and fencing is completed as well as the landscaping around the school. The preschool playground will be expanded and new sand boxes are ordered.

Dan is putting together bids and pricing information on a basement remodel to accommodate the Bible Study groups. Options include a wheelchair lift platform, a drop ceiling, room dividers, and new carpet in the school library.

The Board of Education Ministries

Pam Clavir thanked the members for all of the scholarship donations and encouraged them to continue donations on a monthly basis. Enrollment is growing. Currently there are 40 preschoolers and Kyle Erickson and Gwen Marshall are working to transition 20 eligible preschool children to K-8. The annual school Roundup is in January.

The TLS Christmas program is Wednesday, December 19th at 10:00 am and 6:00 pm.

Kyle is also focusing on the TLS sponsorship program to partner with area businesses. Flyers are available at the church and school.

The basketball program sponsored by the Greeley Rec Center is on Tuesdays and Thursdays through February in the school gym.

Election of Officers and Board Members:

Nominating Committee Chair, Pam Clavir reviewed and discussed the candidates for election along with all Board member confirmations. Pam asked for nominations from the floor. Jim Roohr previously accepted a nomination to serve on the Board of Education. A motion was made and seconded to accept and approve the ballot with the addition by acclamation with no further discussion. The motion passed by unanimous vote and all candidates were elected as follows:

<u>President</u> – Michael Thuener <u>Vice-President</u> – Cheri Carsten, transitional <u>Secretary</u> – Elaine Jecminek

<u>Board of Elders and Spiritual Ministries</u> – Gary Klipp, Brian Anderson, Ken Clavir, Steve Cooper, Dan Jecminek, John Kruger, Dale Schlichenmayer, and Michael Thuener

<u>Board of Financial and Stewardship Ministries</u> – Kristin Meritt, Vicki Akin, and Connie Mapes

<u>Board of Education Ministries</u> – Pam Clavir, Linda Klipp, Margaret Langley, Laura Reiter, Kathy Durdy, Candy Reed, Terri Swanson, and Jim Roohr

<u>Board of Property Ministries</u> – Dan Jecminek, Les Durdy, Kristi Sanderson, and Kevin Knief Cheri reminded new officers and all board members that the All Boards Meeting is January 12th at 8:00 am and will include goal setting and a review of each Board's five-year plan.

New Business:

Pastor Hafeman led the nominations for Synodical President as follows:

Pastor David Maier, current four-term President of the Michigan District and Pastor Timothy Klinkenberg of St. John's, Orange County, CA

A motion was made and seconded to approve the nominations of the candidates with no further discussion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Cheri thanked everyone for attending the meeting and asked if there were any questions or concerns. A discussion followed regarding a new addition (original Phase 3 plans) on the east side and front of the church instead of the basement renovations. More information will be forthcoming.

Brian Anderson thanked Cheri for all of her accomplishments over the last four years and Pastor Hafeman thanked all of the outgoing officers.

There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The motion passed by unanimous vote and the meeting adjourned at 1:41 pm and closed with a prayer followed by the Lord's Prayer led by Pastor Hafeman.