

Trinity Lutheran Church
Voter's Meeting Minutes
December 6, 2015

The Voter's Meeting was called to order by Cheri Carsten at 1: 05 pm and opened with a short devotion and prayer led by Pastor Hafeman based on Matthew 17:24; God is the provider of all things to allow us to do his ministry.

A total of 44 voting members signed the registration sheets. A quorum was established.

Election of Officers and Board Members:

Cheri asked for nominations from the floor. No nominations were made so no write-ins were required on the ballot. A motion to accept a unanimous ballot as printed was made and seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote and the candidates were elected as follows:

Treasurer – Vicki Akin

Board of Elders and Spiritual Ministries – Ken Clavir

Board of Financial and Stewardship Ministries – Connie Mapes

Board of Property Ministries – Kristi Sanderson

Board of Education Ministries – Pam Clavir, Kathy Durdy, and Laura Reiter

Minutes of the June 28, 2015 Voters Meeting were made available to members prior to the meeting. A motion was made and seconded to change the 4th sentence under the Budget Presentation section from the Christian Board of Education salary increases to general salary increases. The motion passed by unanimous vote and a second motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as amended. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The amended minutes will be posted to the church website.

Board Reports:

The Board of Elders and Spiritual Ministries

Gary Klipp presented an outline of the Board's five-year plan that will be finalized and presented at a later time. Member input is always welcome. Gary also reviewed Trinity's Marriage Policy that was approved by the Elders and Executive Council and is consistent with the Synod's beliefs on marriage.

The Board of Financial and Stewardship Ministries

Sharon Andrews, the out-going Treasurer, provided the November 30, 2015 Balance Sheet and the July 1, 2015 through November 15, 2015 Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual at the meeting. Cheri and Jerry Henkel reported that we are behind budget in offerings this year, which ultimately affects the entire budget.

A discrepancy was reported between employee benefits payable and employee benefit expenses. Sharon said that a journal entry will be made to reconcile those entries. It was also noted that a "clean-up" of the mortgage principal and interest amounts should be made that are consistent with an updated amortization schedule.

The Board of Property Ministries

The church and school project and to-do list was reviewed by Virtus Einsphar and Kristi Sanderson. Virtus also reported that the Memorial Fund balance is \$17,412.79. Any use of the memorial funds requires permission from the benefactors.

The Board of Education Ministries

JoLynn reported that the school is doing very well this year and there is now a full school board. The five-year plan will be reviewed at a special Board meeting on January 10th and all are welcome to attend. The Board plans to continue to grow the school.

SWOT Update

JoLynn and Amanda Thuener reported that the SWOT Committee is currently working on narrowing the demographics to compare the church congregation with the community. Amanda said that the committee will need two more members because her term is ending. Anyone interested should contact Paul Jackson.

New Business:

Cheri asked if there were any questions or concerns and thanked the Executive Council and Boards for their hard work and support.

There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm.