

JANUARY 15, 2017

Quorum was present and meeting was called to order by the chairman. Paid staff were reminded that they cannot vote on items pertaining to their pay.

Proposed budget was presented and discussed. Question was asked why separate lines for mileage and car allowance. Suggestion was made to combine them is one. John will check on this. Originally it was done when Ken was treasurer and used Intuit. Explanation given for line for repairs on rental. We do not pay this. It is paid by rental company and deducted from check received for rent. Correction needs to be made to proposed budget to show organists salary as \$160 per service and weekly contribution needed to \$43 per person. Question asked if we heard anything from Concordia regarding possible increase to Pastor's insurance if "Obamacare" is abolished. John will check with Darline if she has received anything. Motion was made, seconded to approve budget with the proviso that John will check regarding combining mileage and car allowance. He will advise congregation in two weeks.

Modifications to church discussed and hand- outs distributed showing proposed stages. Fee to architect is \$5,000. Question asked who approved this and members were advised council approved. Estimated cost for kitchen is approximately \$150,000 and about \$200,000 if bathrooms done as well. When bathrooms are done they will be ADA compliant with wheelchair access. Question asked when kitchen is first phase. This was to make it easier to move food to parish hall and due to wiring issues. There will be less disruption of services. Member asked if we could eventually remove the wall between parish hall and hallway. This meeting was just to advise members what the proposed plan is. A vote will be held in the future whether to proceed. At that time order of phases can be changed if congregation so desire. Discussion held regarding combining line items to make down payment. Loan may range from \$200,000 to \$300,000. Motion was made, seconded and carried that congregation allow the council to use funds from Facility maintenance account in to capital expansion for the purpose of down payment. This will be brought to congregation for final vote when information received. Probably in March.
Proposed slate of officers:

Chairman: Ken Tucker

Vice Chairman: Eric Maerten volunteered to serve until/unless someone wishes to volunteer in the future.

Secretary: Sandy Wegner

Treasurer: John Hill

Stewardship: Cheryl Snook

Maintenance: Eric Maerten

Head Elder: Richard Davis

Altar Guild: Kelly Tucker

LWML: Kelly Tucker

Committee chairs:

Education:

Evangelism: Margi Beyersdorf

Fellowship: Lisa Smith

Motion was made, seconded and carried to adjourn