

**St Andrew's Lutheran Church Council Meeting Agenda
September 22, 6:15 pm (via Zoom)**

*St. Andrew's is recognized as a Christian community,
celebrating God's love through serving others, and working for peace and justice.*

Attendance: [Dave Putz](#), [Randy Sacco](#), [Janeen Christy](#), [Janet Dixon](#), [Steve Loucks](#), [Nora Nelson](#), [Mary Johnson](#), [Lori Paulson](#), [Pastor Sonja Gerstenberger](#)

Absent:

Call to order 6:18 PM

2 Word Check-In – How are you doing? How do you feel?

Approval/Revision of Agenda [Motion made, seconded, approved.](#)

Council Devotion/Reflection – Growing Young, Chapter 1 (Dave), next month? [Lori Paulson will do October devotions](#)

Consent Agenda

Approval of previous (August) meeting minutes [Motion made, seconded, approved.](#)

Treasurer's Report – Janet [Revenues are ahead of budget and expenses are behind budget. YTD we are \\$44,000 ahead of projected. Discussed narrative budgeting process for 2023 and how it should align with our values. Also discussed desire to increase our benevolence as a percentage of our budget for our next budget process.](#)

President Updates

- [Constitution and By-Law review Dave Putz and Dave Krumm are reviewing the constitution and bylaws. A report will be provided to Council. If we adopt wholesale the ELCA Model Constitution, any changes can be approved with one Congregational vote.](#)
- [CJ Sales Group Update – Agreement signed, Close Oct. 21, 2022 There is no due diligence period. We have received \\$10K earnest money \(nonrefundable\) from buyer.](#)

New Business

- [Approval for Hiring of Business Manager Motion made, seconded, approved. Discussed business manager responsibilities vis a vis accounting firm and the importance of segregation of duties.](#)
- [Janitorial Services Update – Dave Mike's Cleaning Service has been hired for church janitorial services. Starts 9.23.2022. YTD we have only spent 19% of janitorial services. Hiring service will allow an extra 4 hours of cleaning per week, to commercial standard. Performance of the service will be evaluated at a later date.](#)
- [Adjustment of hours Administrative office is open and staffed Miriam's hours have been adjusted to support the alignment of her responsibilities. Office hours will be posted on the outside office entrance.](#)
- [Release of Funds from 2nd Line of Credit – Approval possibly needed Motion made, seconded, approved to release \\$10K from Line of Credit for rental expenses. This brings the total draw on the second line of credit to \\$20K/\\$50K.](#)

- SALC Pictorial Directory – Need to identify project lead A request for volunteer(s) will be made in Friday Flash and other publications after the RenFaire. Need a job description and timeframe for the project.
- 60th Anniversary of Sanctuary, Project Idea – How to Coordinate There is nothing for the Council to approve at this point. Council supports fundraising to install a St. Andrew's Cross in front of church at an estimated cost of \$2347. Council will coordinate the effort with Mary Johnson as point person.
- Grant Opportunities
 - Immanuel Vision Foundation – No leader identified, likely not to apply We will not apply for a grant during this cycle. A Congregant has stepped forward to assist with future grant proposals.

Pastor's Report – Pastor Sonja The stewardship campaign is being planned under the guidance of Dave Krumm. October 30 is commitment Sunday and we are asking for full attendance from Council. Just completed a significant mailing outreach campaign.

Old Business

- Visioning Work – Next Steps By October 13 the Council is asked to provide feedback to Pastor Sonja on the italicized versions of vision statements #1 and #2. The document will be redistributed to Council. Dave Putz, Laurie Hoifeldt, Lori Paulson, Mary Johnson, and Pastor Sonja will meet on goals and bring recommendations back to Council.
- Ren Faire – Progress update, Laurie H. October 2, 2022. All invited to participate and wear costumes. Don't need to stay the whole time. Can show up and help with various booths.

Committee Updates/Reports *(Updates provided as available, important items discussed/acted on)*

- **Education** – Mary See written report in shared directory.
- **EMF** – David See written report in shared directory.
- **Fellowship** – Lori See written report in shared directory.
- **Mutual Ministry** – Randy See written report in shared directory.
- **Outreach** – Steve Preparing for RenFaire.
- **Property** – Nora See written report in shared directory. Costumes need to be moved out of Colorado Junction by October 21.
- **Social Concerns** – Janeen / Janet See written report in shared directory.
- **Stewardship & Finance** – Janet See written report in shared directory.
- **Worship & Arts** – Laurie See written report in shared directory.
- **Pine Ridge/Tanzania** – Randy October 12-15 will be at Pine Ridge with deliveries. There will be a celebration and pow wow for the new youth center.
- **Personnel** – David (Adjustment to office hours) Discussed under new business.

September Council Meeting Devotions: Growing Young, Chapter 2 Lori Paulson to lead.

Closing Prayer Steve Loucks led us in prayer.

Meeting adjourned: 8:30 PM

Next Meeting: October meeting currently set for Oct 27th, Nov mtg? (now on Thanksgiving) Watch for more information.

Minutes Submitted By: Janeen Christy

Minutes Approved: October 27, 2022

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