

Faith Lutheran Church Board Meeting August 9, 2007 Minutes :

Members present: Kari Voight Randy Cox
 Melissa St. Pierre Ken Plunkett
 Bev Boldt Fran Whittington
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 Phyllis Richard Brian Weaver
 Jeff Vayda

Guests present: David Heise, Sue Untz, Austin Adams

Growing in the Word: Prayers and devotion led by Phyllis Richard

Sharing the Good News: Minutes for July's meeting were moved for acceptance by Randy Cox; seconded with corrections by Fran Whittington; approved

Reports:

Senior pastor report

- a. Pastor Vayda distributed copies of *Parish Paper*
- b. Written report to council dated August 9, 2007 (attached). Discussion followed about "Finding Your Spiritual Gifts" on ELCA.org

Treasurer's report

- a. Five-Sunday month +expenses less= \$400 plus: Income \$65,000 Expenses \$64,600
- b. \$24,000 in operating fund
- c. Paid to MIF = \$11,443 (interest only) beginning in July
- d. Official report by August 13, 2007

Business Administrator's Report

- a. Deb Guthmiller & Kathy Shugarman to job share position for full-time coverage
- b. Daniel Garcia and Richard Beck sharing coverage of building maintenanc
- c. Alan Haugan to head work groups and

establish maintenance schedule
d. Break-in of church: list of items taken valued at \$8300; contacted insurance= \$1000 deductible: FMPD found door left unlocked: change locks on all doors and re-issue keys/card swipes on key doors; surveillance cameras and panic buttons for Kitty and Anna to be installed

**Celebrate the Past:
(old business)**

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**Praise for the Future:
(new business)**

Dave Heise spoke about these items;
a. Council presentation at Congregational meeting well put together but overshadowed by personal feelings of those present
b. Bishop needed to come in and be involved to extent outlined by Faith's Constitution; situation may be beyond council's ability to facilitate reconciliation.
c. Described Pastor Vayda as "one of the most convicted persons" with regard to his beliefs
d. Discussed numbers: quorum=75
Attendance = 285
What constitutes voting member: confirmed, communed, contributed (financially)

Visitor Comments:

Dave Heise asked about designated funds
told they had not been touched

Sue Untz expressed her hurt feelings, feeling ignored; no opportunity for questions at previous council meeting; need for Bishop's involvement

Austin Adams discussed the following:
a. Some in group probably had "an agenda" but book was "unvarnished" (unedited)
b. New strategic plan great foundation
c. Church needs to appeal to varied groups, not just families and youth
d. Need to develop clear policy of what constitutes a voting member

- e. Wanted list of current voting members;
told not possible due to privacy issues
- f. When asked if situation were reconcilable,
said, "In time, perhaps."

Adjournment:

Move for adjournment=Randy Cox; seconded=
Fran Whittington; passed

Lord's Prayer