

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE SIERRA  
Church Council Minutes - August 4, 2009 - Approved

Present: Pastor Joel, Phil Stevenson, Cindy Merhaut, Robert Guebard, Natalie Johnson, Donna Bray & Arlene Wolfe

Absent: Norma Santiago, Bonnie Driscoll, Hans Rosevold, George DuPuy, Rex Thran, & Tara Nixon

Phil called meeting to order 6:10PM

Opened with prayer

Minutes from July 7, 2009 approved. MSC

Pastor's Report:

1. Members have asked when pastor's boys will start preschool. Only way they can attend HLC preschool is at no charge. They should start in December a few days a week. Discussion to be continued at next executive meeting. Suggestion made to schedule the funds for this in the Jan budget and perhaps the preschool tuition should be brought up to what other schools charge. Education committee asked to create proposal for increasing tuition this year, perhaps starting in November.
2. Beach camp was very successful. Plans to have fund raisers to cover expenses. Three churches in Reno want to participate next year.
3. Pastor is starting a college bible study starting August 9<sup>th</sup> and every Sunday afterwards.

President's Report:

1. Met with executive committee to discuss mostly confidential matter on 7/25. Summary discussed.
2. Council asked for executive committee to help Cindy with a new finance committee to assist her. Members who volunteered are Hans Rosevold, Robert Guebard & Arlene Wolfe.
3. Excellerate is close to being online for integration with our website.

Treasurer's Report:

4. As of July 31st funds are down. Our bare bones budget is just barely being met.

TEAM REPORTS

Property and Administration:

1. Parking lot needs to be sealed soon. This will come out of preschool budget. Front flower area needs to be weeded. Perhaps youth could complete. Or, a sign-up sheet with items that need attention placed in narthex. Also, signage out front needs to be redone. The picture board still needs updating.
2. Team authorized Chris to increase preschool payroll by 2% and left it to her discretion to distribute.
3. Next meeting is Sunday 8/9, 9:15AM.

Congregational Life:

1. Postponed meeting to 8/16, 9:15AM.
2. Annual picnic was well attended.
3. Hikes have not been as well attended as planned. Several regular hikers were away.

Worship Team:

1. No meeting held.
2. Early service attendance is approximately 10-20 people. Meeting needed to discuss whether to continue after Labor Day.
3. Adult bible study possibility discussed between services.

Outreach:

1. No report at this time

Educational Life & Youth:

1. Woman's retreat guaranteed numbers met. Sixteen have confirmed.
2. NCD. We are at the stage where we need to have a follow-up survey to find out what we need to work on next. Fifteen people who took it last year and fifteen new members to be involved.
3. Next meeting is 8/11 at 7PM at HLC.

Old Business:

1. Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> is set for annual meeting at 10:30 service. (see notes from last month for details)
2. Signatures on file for Harassment policy. Collection will continue until completion for employees and volunteers.

New Business:

1. None

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer  
Adjourned 7:25 PM

Next Meeting: Sept 1st, 7PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Arlene Wolfe