

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE SIERRA - Approved

Church Council meeting – April 6, 2010

Present: Bonnie Driscoll, Robert Guebard, Natalie Johnson, Donna Bray, Pastor Joel Martyn, George DuPuy, Carmen Withrow, Drew Douglas, Phil Stevenson & Arlene Wolfe

Excused Absence: Hans Rosevold, Norma Santiago & Cindy Merhaut

Guests: Liz Gieg

Meeting called to order: 7:08 PM

Devotions by Pastor Joel

Liz addressed council: Serving as secretary for one year now, her salary has been paid through a donation to Church Family Mission. Her current situation has changed and she would like to be a salaried employee. She will be in Nicaragua from May 1<sup>st</sup> until May 15<sup>th</sup>, and would like to know by July. Hours & options provided by Liz and discussed later in meeting.

Agenda adopted with new business move to the top of meeting.

New Business:

1. Servicing of Organ: Estimate submitted \$700 - \$1,000 for repairs which includes \$400 in parts. Service company is in SF, so mostly transportation expense. George Dupuy suggested local person and will call him to get an estimate. George & Phil to look into this further.
2. Status of Parrish Secretary: Agreed to convert her to employee & pay her directly. Discussion of amount of hours and pay, then referred to Cindy for budgeting facts. Pastor Joel to meet with Cindy.

Minutes from March 2, 2010 approved. MSC

Pastor's Report.

1. Easter service & holy week services were well attended.
2. Intentional visits for March were 15, with 100 unintentional, 30 calls.
3. Team requested to write policy and bring to council for approval regarding current and future pastor's children attendance of preschool. Donna, Robert, Bonnie & Arlene volunteered to join Pastor on team and will report back to council by July.
4. Extra day of preschool for boys requested. Currently they are attending 2 full days, requesting 3 full days now including summer and 4 full days starting in September including summer. All agreed that pastor's kids should attend preschool at no cost. Policy team to discuss further.
5. Pastor wants us all to think about a possible locally attended council retreat. We haven't had one in awhile.
6. Verified who on council needed new church keys.

President's Report by Phil Stevenson

1. Nothing to report at this time.

Treasurer's Report. Cindy Merhaut absent

1. No report at this time.

## Team Reports

### Property & Administration – George DuPuy

1. Dave Carneggie headed March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting about the church remodel, meeting with George's friend to draw up plans and signage still being worked on. Lower windows in Narthex need securing for safety of preschool children. Doug & Sherry Dubois cleaned windows in narthex. Parsonage stove still needs installed. Also, water heater & vents checked. Church's sprinkler system being looked into by John Long & Dave Carneggie for additional water pressure at lower flower beds by street. Pastor Joel to bring a list of components with pricing to council for new sound system.
2. Next meeting is Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> 9:15am.

### Congregational Life – Phil Stevenson

1. Handout provided
2. Next meeting is Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>

### Worship – Norma Santiago absent

1. No meeting since last council meeting. Most likely, June 6<sup>th</sup> starts early summer service.

### Mission & Outreach – Bonnie Driscoll

1. No meeting since last council meeting. Hospitality bags going well. Knitting group is becoming more of an outreach making blankets for Nicaragua. Next meeting will discuss power parking lot sale w/possible car wash fund raiser by youth.
2. Next meeting is Sunday, April 18th at 9:00am.

### Education & Youth– Donna Bray

1. No meeting since last council meeting. Sunday school well attending on Easter. Agreed that 3yr olds should attend Sunday school. Natalie will teach throughout May. Audrey will probably teach in April. Break over summer. Youth funds raisers doing well with \$889 collected so far for Adventure camp. Attendance growing for camp, currently 8 to 10.

### Old Business:

1. Harassment forms in process as new people volunteer.
2. Pastor is ready to take another NCD survey in the summer.

### New Business:

1. Opportunities to serve survey haven't been done for three years. We should have another when attendance is high. Suggestion for April 25<sup>th</sup> to be paired with sermon.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 7PM

Meeting adjourned – 9:00pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Arlene Wolfe