

MLC Governing Council Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2018

Present: Lee Danielson, Ellen Dobson, Dave Hartenberger, Pastor Doug Mathison, Brian Osterloh, Cassandra Osterloh

1. Brian called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.
2. Pastor Doug led the opening devotion and prayer. Season of Epiphany. ELW #301 Bright and Glorious is the Sky.
3. Lee moved to approve the December minutes. Dave seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.
4. Approval of Reports
 - a. Pastor Doug: Report submitted. Two letters from APS (Thank You and a request for a member to be a part of a Community School Council). Wednesday night education – book of Ruth – last 3 nights of January at 6:30 p.m. Shrove Tuesday: Ron will organize. Council members will help put together, there is also a Council meeting that night (February 13)
 - b. Treasurer: Report submitted. YTD gain was \$16,449.
 - c. Building and Grounds: Ron and Carlo worked on the furnace. Carlo fixed the light outside near the sacristy. Carlo picked up rolls of insulation from the Osterlohs' for the church.
 - d. President: Will discuss agenda items for the congregational meeting further along in meeting.
 - e. Cassandra moved to pass the reports en masse. Ellen seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.
5. Old Business
 - a. Nominations for 2018 Council: Slate was submitted to the Council. Lee moved to accept the ballot.
 - b. Secretary: We are continuing to search for a non-member to fill this position.
 - c. 2018 Budget: Review of proposed budget and adjustments. Note that previous years there was a large amount that went towards pastors' insurance/benefits. We cannot lose sight of that. Cassandra moved to accept the proposed budget with adjustments to be submitted to the congregation. Lee seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.
6. Discussion
 - a. 2018 Annual Meeting Agenda
7. New Business
 - a. Letter regarding sanctuary. Request for Messiah Lutheran Church to sign showing their support. Item was tabled.
8. Review of Action Items
 - a. Council members will contact different people and groups to advertise for a non-member secretary.
 - b. Brian will work on Annual Meeting Agenda.
 - c. All: prepare for annual meeting.
9. Brian adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m.
10. Closing prayer.