

MLC Governing Council Meeting Minutes  
March 14, 2017

Present: Barbara Bachechi, Carlo Bachechi, Al Burmeister, Lee Danielson, Ellen Dobson, Dave Hartenberger, Pastor Chris Heller, Ron Kulju, Brian Osterloh, Cassandra Osterloh

Guest: Hazel Mella

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.
2. Opening Prayer by Pastor Chris
3. Approval of minutes
  - a. February 14, 2017
  - b. March 12, 2017
  - c. Barbara moved to accept the minutes. Lee seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.
4. Approval of Reports
  - a. Pastor Chris – report received.
  - b. Treasurer – report received.
  - c. Building and Grounds – verbal report: cleaned, got rid of homeless man living on property.
  - d. Financial Secretary – report received.
  - e. President – report received.
  - f. Cassandra moved to accept the reports en masse. Barbara seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.
5. Old Business
  - a. Cost-cutting measures – will need to figure out other items other the next few months. Brian will call Wells Fargo to see if we can buy out the copier contract. \$7500-\$8000 per month needed to “break even”.
  - b. Pledge Programs – 7 cards received so far.
6. New Business
  - a. Synod contribution – decide for next year. Brian’s assumptions on income and expenses included the contribution. 2.5% of giving. Change based on change of giving. Keep as a commitment on the books but look at it in three months to see if we are then able pay then. Deferral of commitment does not negate the commitment in the meantime. Dave moved to give 2.5% of our giving to Synod but deferred for the next 3 months and revisit at that point. Lee seconded. Passed unanimously.
  - b. Moving forward
    - i. Communication – Brian will give an update/status at Sunday services.
    - ii. Supply Pastor(s) – Wednesday morning and evening services on March 29 and April 5 (Dave Hartenberger).
    - iii. Interim Pastor and/or Bridge Pastor
    - iv. Easter and Holy Week services. (Easter: 7am and 1030am with breakfast in between). Lee moved to have 2 services on Easter – 7am and 1030am. Al seconded the motion which was passed unanimously. Maundy Thursday 7pm, Good Friday 7pm.

- v. Get feedback on combined service – get quick written comments on slips of paper passed out.

7. Review of Action Items

- a. Brian will call Wells Fargo to see if we can buy out the copier contract.
  - b. Cassandra will work with Ellen and Lee to determine Easter breakfast.
  - c. Brian will talk with Pastor Sarah regarding bridge pastor.
  - d. Lee will put together the “comment slip”, PowerPoint, templates for Sunday.
  - e. Brian will give an update/status at Sunday services.
  - f. Pastor Chris will put a membership list together.
  - g. Brian and Chris will send out letters.
  - h. Ellen will set up bank meeting.
8. Moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m.
9. Closing prayer.