**Council Meeting Minutes**

**Dater:** 8/9/2022

**Call to Order:** President Sharon Gradert clled the meeting of TELC council to order at 7:00 pm.

**Roll Call:**

Present, Sharon Gradert, Brenda Rosenberg, Linda Fick, John French, Taylor Hibbing, Sandy Olson, Arlene Kuehl, Jan Henningsen, Daryl Tutje and Pastor Nappe. Absent: Adam Henning, Paul Hensch and Luci Ferrin.

**Devotions and Prayer:** Pastor led devotions reading from Mark 9:2 about there is work to be done and followed with the study of the 5th chapter of the book “I Refuse to Lead a Dying Church”. He followed with prayer.

**Pastor’s Report:**

Pastor shared his July report with the council. Pastor and Bev will be gone to Ghana & Togo leaving August 24th and returning September 9th.

**Additions to the Agenda:** There were none.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Linda to approve the July minutes. All voted Aye.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

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| Checking Balance | 54,827.53 |
| Folker’s Endowment | 2,276.85 |
| Parsonage | 108.62 |
| Building Fund | 16,266.73 |
| Security Cameras | 365.00 |
| Furnace | 8,273.25 |
| SE Entry Repair | 4.647.27 |
| Emergency | 13,880.00 |
| Sunday School | 1,284.33 |
| Line of Credit | 0.00 |

A motion was made by Jan and seconded by Taylor to approve the report.

All voted Aye.

**Committee Reports:**

**Worship and Music:**

Wednesday, August 17th will be midweek services with a light supper at 6:30 and services at 7:00. August 28th will be guest speaker Patti Griffiths for Mission Festival Sunday. With church at 9:30 we will have a special coffee fellowship and not a potluck dinner. September 11th will be joint services with the Methodist at TELC. On September 18th will be joint services with the Methodist with them hosting. There has been interest shown in starting the Praise Team again.

Beginning September 25th, we will have coffee available before church~~.~~ Coffee will be allowed to be brought into the sanctuary as long as the cup has a lid. October 23rd will be new member Sunday. Kelly Buchman and Lana Hibma have expressed an interest to join TELC.

**Christian Ed:**

There were 15 students for VBS. The kids had a good time. Great job by all involved. On September 25th, Sunday School will start.

**Stewardship:**

The former Time and Talent sheets are being reformatted and will be due back on September 25th. The prayer room is being worked on. The water giveaway at the fair did not work as well this year. We will work closer with the fair board next year to be in a better traffic area.

**Building and Property:**

Concrete by the kitchen and east side of the youth rooms will done in the next 3 weeks and at two different times. The east entry door automatic door opener has not always been working and probably will have to replace the whole mechanism. The glass to replace the seals on some of the windows has been ordered and will be installed when it arrives. Pastor told us that Bev power washed the deck at the parsonage and then sealed it. There will be a bill from the hardware store for the sealing liquid. Thanks to Bev. The deck steps need to be fixed at the parsonage and Kyle Ackerman has volunteered to do and pay for this. John is working on repairing the playground system. Taylor will do the parking lot light pole repair. There is a faucet in the kitchen that needs repair and Taylor will investigate this.

**Executives:**

A letter needs to be sent to colleges for the Folker’s seminary scholarships. Pastor received a call from someone concerning this.

**Old Business:**

Pastor shared us a job description that he adapted from when camp personnel had done the youth program. Kayla Kruger and Jackie Glade have expressed an interest in sharing the youth director position as co-directors. Jackie would be in charge of the Wednesday night activities and Kayla would be in charge of the Sunday school. There is $500 available from the Endowment committee from the Folker’s fund. Each of the directors will be paid $250. There are funds available to pay for curriculum and meal costs. A motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Brenda to approve the job description and the hiring of Kayla and Jackie for co-directors. All voted Aye.

A motion was made by Jan and seconded by Arlene to pay the directors each $250 a month for nine months. All voted Aye.

At the Execs meeting, we discussed two possible dates for the 125th TELC Anniversary celebration. June 18th, 2023, or September 17th, 2023. A motion was made by Jan and seconded by Brenda to set the September 17th, 2023, as the date as this would be following vacations and a better turnout would be possible. All voted Aye.

A motion was made by Linda to give Jim Verbout a fee of $200 for preaching on August 21st. Jan seconded the motion and all voted Aye.

**New Business:**

A request was received from Darlene Stofferan to transfer her membership to the Christian Reformed Church. A motion was made by Sharon and seconded by Linda to accept the transfer. All vote Aye.

It was decided to give the September/October noisy offering to the Adopt a Family program.

Daryl reported he and Keith Klaahsen had removed parts that are no longer used from the sound system, and we will offer them for sale on Swap Shop. Pastor received quotes to update the sound system and add visual capabilities. The quote was right at $80,000 and is good for a month. We will not do this at this time but is something that we will need to look at.

The date for the harvest meal is set for New Member Sunday on October 23rd. The Maxwell family has donated sweet corn and a group processed it Monday night. It had a good turnout.

Sharon received a bid of $642 to clean the sanctuary pews from Deep Clean Carpet Cleaning of George, IA. A motion was made by Jan and seconded by Taylor to do this. All voted Aye.

A motion was made by Sharon and seconded by Jan to send Pastor and Bev as our delegates to the LCMC Annual Gathering and Convention in Minneapolis on October 2nd thru the 5th. All voted Aye.

The Global Mission Conference is in Ames on September 30th thru October 1st. A motion was made by Jan and seconded by Taylor to approve Pastor attending. All voted Aye.

**Dates to Remember:**

Stewardship meeting: Tuesday, August 16th at 7:00 pm

Building /Property meeting, August 23rd at 7:00 pm

Council Exec Prep meeting: Tuesday, September 6th at 7:00 pm.

Council meeting: Tuesday, September 13th at 7:00 pm.

Teller/Communion for September is Luci Ferrin.

Motion was made by Jan and seconded by Linda to Adjourn the meeting. All voted Aye. We closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Arlene Kuehl, secretary