**Council Meeting Minutes**

**Date: 5/10/2022**

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

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

**Devotions and Prayer:** Pastor led devotions from Acts 2 and the study of the 2nd chapter of the book “I Refuse to Lead a Dying Church”, following with prayer.

Pastor shared his April report with the council.

**Minutes:** Motion was made by Daryl and seconded by Taylor to approve the April 12th minutes. All voted Aye.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Checking Balance $67,500.59

Folker’s Endowment $ 1,665.65

 Parsonage $ 108.59

 Building Fund $32,909.44

 Security Cameras $ 365.00

 Furnace $ 8,271.31

 SE Entry Savings $ 5,243.75

 Emergency $13,880.00

 Sunday School $ 1,169.82

Motion was made by Brenda and seconded by Taylor to approve the Treasurer’s Report. All voted Aye.

**Committee Reports:**

**Worship and Music:**

* Would like to get the Praise Team implemented this fall
* Talked about doing a round robin with local pastors for Lent
* Will schedule a mid-week outdoor service for this summer
* Doing a stain-glass window series along with TELC’s 125th anniversary

**Christian Education:**

* Bible School will be Aug. 6 from 9:00 – 3:00 Barb Schuster will be in charge
* Still looking into Youth Directors for next fall
* Will be doing a breakfast for our graduation Seniors May 15
* Background checks will need to be done for any volunteer working with the youth. It was mentioned the ISU Extension office will provide this service free of charge.

**Stewardship:** Nothing to report

**Evangelism/Mission:**

* Discussed having a Bible School night for families and members the night of Bible School
* Doing Polka Fest in October for October Fest
* Having greeting cards made available – “Cards for Christ”
* Denny Davids is contacting members that have not attended church recently to invite them to worship
* Will be handing water out at the fair
* Discussed having a float in the parade
* Want to make a vacant Sunday School room into a Prayer Chapel – a motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Brenda to use $183.72 in undesignated memorials to start furnishing this room
* Mission Fest will be the last Sunday in August

**Building and Property:**

* SE entry is done
* There are some pews that need to be tightened
* Window pane in SE entry has a leak as well as one in the Secretary’s office. Gruis Glass will do a quote to fix the windows
* There is some concrete work that needs to be done on the east entry
* Clean-up went well

**Execs:** Nothing to report

**Old Business:**

* Lenten and Easter breakfast offerings ($3,329.90) – a motion was made by Linda and seconded by Luci to rescind the original offer to split these offerings half to the Banquet in Sioux Falls and half to the Building fund to give $1,000 to the Banquet and the balance to the Building fund. All voted Aye.
* Lenten Services were well received. It was mentioned to do the Seder Meal every 3 – 5 years.
* Memorial List ideas – Prayer Chapel, bigger sink in the kitchen for easier cleaning of roaster pans
* Sesquicentennial Event: Old Fashioned Community Hymn Sing at TELC – June 26 – would like to include local musical talent

**New Business:**

* We received $15,000 from insurance for the SE entry due to mold that was found. The total cost for the repairs were $17,128.26. With the $9,035.34 in the account and ins. money, we have $6,907.08 left. We will leave this in the account to be used to fix the windows that need repair.
* Summer worship will be at 9:30 am starting Memorial weekend, May 29 and going through Labor Day, Sept. 4
* Will have a sign-up sheet for those interested in helping maintain the landscaping around the church grounds
* Talked about our social media presence (Website, Facebook, etc) who will maintain it and who will be responsible for what goes on it! John French is willing to maintain the sites but it needs to be determined who will funnel information to him. Execs will discuss at their next meeting.
* Starting Sunday May 15 we will be studying the Book of Acts – bring your bibles to church
* Attendance pads – don’t forget to register.
* Be thinking about items to put in the next time capsule that will be buried in September for the Sesquicentennial

**Teller/Communion for June:** Arlene

We closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Fick