

Catching Up with Council

Overview of Council Meetings 2025

This article provides updates on decisions made during Hope's Council monthly meetings. If you have any questions I hope you will reach out to any Council member. Some information from the Council meetings have already been communicated to you.

Click on the attached link to check out the latest Council meeting notes. Remember full Council minutes and Treasurer's reports are on file in the church office (after they are approved).

Pam Fenn, Council Secretary

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Discussions/Things to know:

- Most Hope South information has already been shared. Refer to previous News in the Pews.

Treasurers Report

- Mike Brown, new Council treasurer, has provided a quarterly update in the News in the Pews called Hope Quarterly Financial Report.
- The accounting review took place by Steeple Accounting Firm and was very complimentary of Hope's accounting practices.
- Mike, along with the Pastors, Council President Kristina Giffin and Karen Barnes, Hope's Bookkeeper meet with the Finance Committee monthly.

Pastors Reports:

Each month the called Pastors provide written reports that review/share with Council projects and initiatives they are working on or plan to begin.

Discussions/Things to know:

- Members of the Invigorate team have recently launched an exciting initiative known as Hope's Good Shepherd Initiative. They look to be instrumental in generating a new spirit of evangelism and relationship-building in our congregation, and have kept Council engaged in their plans.
- Council members have been involved in the New Member Classes, the bimonthly Council Corner weekends, reaching out to the various ministries to lend support and assist in answering questions.

Motions or Consensuses':

- In March there was consensus of Council to move forward with building and await new renderings for the worship center. This will be brought to the congregation when completed.
- Memorial Garden Niches' - Due to limited space, it was agreed that only Members, their families, and staff can purchase a niche.
- Approved payment of \$1,650 for the artist renderings for the Hope South Campus Worship Center.