Bethesda Church Council Meeting

October 22, 2018

Ed Metalica, Pastor Mary, Lynette Benzschawel, Dean Rau, Yvonne Cox, Diane Fizell

Absent: Paul Lundberg

Meeting called to order at 6:06PM by President Ed.

Motion to approve Sept. 13th minutes by Lynette, 2nd by Yvonne. Carried.

Motion to approve treasurer’s report by Diane, 2nd by Yvonne. Carried.

President’s report: live streaming happens only when Ed is in church. $750 grant received . A portion went to website posting, which Aimee has completed. One camera was returned as it did not work properly, 2nd camera ordered but has not yet been received. This will make live streaming much easier, and will not require Ed’s laptop. Others will be able to set the live stream up. Just as the fish fry posting was “boosted”, so will the lutefisk dinner be “boosted” on facebook.

Basement sewer backup in furnace room has been taken care of. Clogged lines have been cleaned.

Dehumidifier has been turned off for the winter.

Pastor Mary will present her report during the following joint meeting with Immanuel.

The proceeds from lutefisk dinner will go to pastor’s discretionary fund.

Discussion held on counting the Sunday offering.

Joyce Anderson asks what happens if they advertise (needs to be done a year ahead) their quilt/fiber show, and then the church is needed for something else. Mutual Ministry committee asked for a determination. Motion by Diane, 2nd by Yvonne that once a reservation for church use has been made by groups for Fridays and Saturdays, that reservation cannot be cancelled. Carried.

Day care use of basement discussed. Washburn School as Pre-K program. Ed volunteers to investigate the opportunity for the Bayfield School to use the basement for day care.

Check signing: Pastor Mary will contact the national synod office to determine if two signatures are needed for check signing. If so, we will ask Aimee to attach the invoice to the check for initialing when 2nd signature is obtained.

Ed Metalica begins his second three year term on the council, and Dean Rau begins his first three year term.

Election of officers:

President: Diane nominates Ed, 2nd by Dean. Carried.

Vice-president: Diane nominates Yvonne, 2nd by Lynette. Carried.

Secretary: Lynette nominates Diane, 2nd by Yvonne. Carried.

Treasurer: Diane nominates Paul, 2nd by Yvonne. Carried.

Ceiling insulation. Ed will get three quotes.

Update by Yvonne on the September 125th year celebration: Garrison Keillor said no charge. The committee working on the celebration was wonderful. $40.00 for postage was the only expense; this will come out of the history budget account.

December 2nd service and celebration will be potluck, no expenses expected.

It has been suggested by a parishioner that next summer’s fish fry proceeds be used for needed repairs to the east side park.

Church secretary Aimee’s compensation:

5 sick days if needed per year, not to be carried over; (7) paid federal holidays, both at 20 hours; 1 week

Vacation (20 hours), none to be carried over. Motion by Diane, 2nd by Lynette. Carried.

Yvonne asks for consideration for a Game Night on New Year’s Eve. Approved.

Next meeting: November 19th, 1PM.

Motion to adjourn by Diane.

Respectfully submitted

Diane Fizell