

## Voter's Meeting, 11 July 2017

Meeting called to order by President Steve Kreigh following a brief devotion and prayer by Pastor Brege.

Roll call showed 21 members present.

### **Secretary Report:**

- Minutes from April meeting were read. **MSC** to approve with singular correction RE: Romans being the sermon topic for entire summer, not just May.

### **Financial Secretary Report:**

- Report submitted by John Schueler, and each line item was reviewed. **MSC** to approve as presented. Note was made of the gap between year-to-date budget and monies received.

### **Treasurer Report:**

- Report submitted by Mike Werling, both the Balance Sheet and the Account Balances were reviewed by each line item for this year's first quarter. **MSC** to approve as presented.

### **Pastor/Elders Report:**

- Joe Nower & Pastor are still planning on updating the Church website. However, internet access from the Church has been erratic recently and is being addressed.
- The next Council/Elders meeting will be held on October 2<sup>nd</sup> (Monday), followed by the Voter's meeting on October 3<sup>rd</sup> (Tuesday).
- The job descriptions for the church offices duties have been requested to be publically listed for all to see prior to the election. These will be drawn from the Church Constitution.
- Request was made to formally recognize the spring confirmands: Zachary Macke, Riley Nower, Matthew Rabel, Ezraelle Zimmerman. M/S/C.
- We will return to two services the Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Request was received to transfer membership of Joe and Kathleen Koslowski to Zion Decatur, along w/ their son Joey. M/S/C to approve.
- Pastor voiced thanks to all involved RE: the reception, gift, and well-wishes celebrating his 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary as pastor at St. Paul, Preble.

### **Trustees Report:**

No formal report given, as no Trustee's present for meeting. Notes from Church Counsel meeting were read by secretary in their absence, with topics as follows:

- Altar lights will likely be replaced w/ longer-lasting LEDs to avoid issue of changing them so frequently.
- New door closer for exterior Kitchen door is to be pursued.
- Handicap button on exterior of front doors is not functioning and requires correction.
- Fire alarm backup batteries need replacing.
- Front sidewalk needs leveling, as two members have fallen recently on the uneven areas. In the short-term, contractor tape will be used to make the uneven areas more visible.
- Job descriptions for bid positions will be formulated for the next voter's meeting.
- Discussion was had RE: best way to handle discussion of various costs associated with Church use for weddings. Pastor volunteered to discuss w/ other area pastors RE: how it is being handled elsewhere. It was agreed to revisit the issue in October with no formal action being taken at this time.

#### **Deacon Report:**

There appears to be an issue with the silver plating on one of the chalices. This will be looked into. No formal action taken.

#### **Wyneken School Board Report:**

-Submitted in writing by Nicholas Hoffman, as Wyneken School Board was meeting simultaneously with the Voter's meeting due to July 4<sup>th</sup> falling on a Tuesday:

- \* The last day of school was May 24<sup>th</sup>, we are currently in summer break.
- \* The Association meeting will be at 7pm on the 31<sup>st</sup> of July in the Bingen Parish Hall, please join us to help support your school.
- \* Registration and back to school event is the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August from 9-11:30am and 4-7:30pm.
- \* School will commence on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August, no North Adams bussing the first two days.
- \* The business assistant position has been filled, Cheryl Reinking has accepted the position and has started as of the 1<sup>st</sup> of July.
- \* Mrs. Horning completed her Master's Degree, and was reimbursed according to policy.
- \* Wyneken received grant money from The Farmers Choice Grant. The application was submitted by Linda Conrad, Thank you Linda, and the money will be used for 20 new desks in the older student's class rooms.

- \* The new childcare rate, the previous motion was rescinded. The new motion was made to change before and after school care to \$.75 per 15 minutes, increase weekly rates for infants from \$125 to \$130, toddlers (2 to 3 years old) from \$115 to \$120, and toddlers (4 years old and above) from \$100 to \$105. Athletics and 8th grade students will be charged the same as before and after school rates.
- \* Due to the class size for this year's 2nd Grade, we needed to add a teacher for a 1 year term. The personnel committee recommended Nancy DeFrain out of 3 candidates. She is a brand new teacher. A one-year contract was extended to her last month, and she has accepted the position.
- \* The Audit process is scheduled to be completed the 18th of July.
- \* Wyneken signed a new 3 yr. contract with Advanced Disposal Service for our waste removal service. The previous service was trying to significantly increase rates forcing us to seek elsewhere.
- \* Summer cleaning has been completed.
- \* Gym Floor was complete, but due to several issues with finish, it was reworked and completed by 5 July, no word yet as to a final approval.
- \* Bleacher railings are being scheduled to be installed after the floor is able to be walked on since the refinishing rework.
- \* Roof leaks continue, CMS Roofing has been making evaluations and repairs frequently. Some of the leaks have been due to small issues such as rivets and been fixed at no charge, while others are thought to be due to gaps in the standing seam roof, quote has been given for \$1,940 to repair the most recent leak in the Cafetorium and adjacent hallway.
- \* There are several maintenance items that need completed before the start of school, and to help reduce this list, it has been asked for volunteers to assist. Work dates are being scheduled with the first date being Saturday, the 22nd of July. There is plenty of work to be done and will not all get completed in one day, so if you know someone willing to assist, or you yourself, please let one of the school board members know and we can set up other times as well beside the 22nd if help is available.
- \* Doors have been rekeyed on all exterior doors due to the key FOB's, the new cylinders didn't work with our old keys and needed updated. This was completed on the 1st of July.

### **Sunday School Report:**

No news to report. Sexual misconduct forms will be completed by teachers prior to restart of Sunday School on Sept 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **Old Business:**

NA

**New Business:**

-We must make a decision RE: enrollment in our current health insurance plan prior to the next voters meeting to the enrollment period closing prior to that meeting. Our current carrier will allow for continuation of our current policy with a 3.9% premium increase year-over year. After some discussion, M/S/C to continue current plan w/ required premium increase for 2018.

**Adjournment:**

Having no further business to consider, the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer @ 7:51pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 3 October, 2017 @ 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nick Nussbaum, Secretary