

## **2014-2015 Creator Council Meeting February 19, 2015**

Present: Katrina Minton-Davis, Tom Barr, Sara Mahnke, Pastor Heidi Calhoun, Ron Noborokowa, Marcie Reid, Rich Heineman, Nikole Spenny, Jan Shabro

Absent: None

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Leadership training** – Creator Constitution. Council reviewed Chapter 12 – Congregation Council and Duties

### **Approval of January minutes**

Jan motioned. Ron seconded. Motion passed

### **Pastor's Report**

Elaine Swigart asked for Council to approve the use of church space for spiritual direction business. She currently has 5 participants. Council voted and agreed to approve her continued use of church space.

Creator had a break in Saturday night – Feb 14<sup>th</sup>. Nothing was taken. Sanctuary door was repaired and is now on the security sensor to activate the alarm. The alarm system will now tell us when a specific door is locked/armed. An improvement over the previous system.

Creator now has a Finance Committee and they have had their first meeting.

Prayer concerns for Sharon Parker, Margaret Michaud, Martha Witt, Rick and Kathy Worley, Nancy Marquiss, Brian Ferrier, Virginia Winger

### **Treasurer's Report**

January General Fund Revenue was \$30,509 and Expenses were \$30,766 (\$257 shortfall).

Our generous gift of \$ 23,899.89 does not show up in the January revenue/expense report. It was separated into the designated funds as follows:

Sound:	\$10,000.00
Capital Fund:	\$ 6,000.00
Youth:	\$ 3,000.00
Preschool:	\$ 2,000.00
Foundation Fund:	\$ 2,899.89

Jan made a motion that we distribute \$1000/month into the Capital Fund – beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>, Marcie seconded. Motion carried.

Tom motioned to accept Treasurer's Report. Jan seconded. Motion carried.

### **Old Business**

Rich gave an update on the Technology Team progress and assessment of equipment needs. There will be another Team meeting this month and follow-up report at Council meeting on 3/12/2015.

## **New Business**

### **Mission statement focus group report**

Andy Heckroth gave a report on the Mission statement meeting. He walked Council through their process of reviewing Draft Mission statements created during the Leadership Meeting January 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **Priorities/Initiatives Team report**

Judy Richardson gave a summary of both meetings held by the Priorities/Initiative Team. They also recommended a Strategic Planning Committee be established to have oversight over the Priorities and keep our efforts focused and maintain momentum.

### **Next Steps**

Katrina would like to move forward with Strategic Planning Committee. Andy and Judy have agreed to meet and discuss forming a committee and reaching out to potential members.

### **Lent offering**

Council discussed where to direct the Lent offering. After discussion, Council concluded as follows:

*During the season of Lent 2015 (Wednesdays and Maundy Thursday) we will donate offerings to the local food banks and to offset the costs of recently incurred expenses to upgrade the security system.*

Sara made the motion above. Tom seconded. Motion carried.

### **Synod Assembly Delegates**

The Hinkleys and Cindy Totten will attend as Creator's delegates. Ron is an alternate. Tom made a motion to accept. Jan seconded. Motion carried.

### **Letter of resignation**

Tom Barr is transferring to Oklahoma and is resigning his position as Director of Operations. Jan made a motion to accept. Ron seconded. Motion carried.

Prayer concerns of the group were shared and meeting closed with prayer.

Katrina made a motion to adjourn. Tom seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm

In His Service,  
Sara Mahnke  
Council Secretary

**Next Scheduled Meeting: March 12, 2015**