

Bethel Lutheran Church
Congregation Council Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2018

In attendance: Pastor D. Young, T. Milburn, T. Shoberg, R. Pierce, B. Garner, D. Griffin, T. Brazleton, P. Blevins, M. Asmussen.

1. After an opening prayer by T. Milburn, the meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.
2. Approved September Council minutes.
3. Received and approved September financial reports as previously emailed to the Council.
4. Pastor Young discussed his previously emailed Pastor's Report for September. He specifically noted that eight families are joining Bethel among other items.
5. Received Director of Youth and Family Faith Formation report for September as previously emailed.
6. B. Garner made Council aware of the new executive director at CCAP and proposed changes to that organization's corporate documents. No action was required of Council.
7. D. Griffin reminded Council of the upcoming events from various ministries.
8. B. Garner reminded Council of the formation of a new member/shepherding team.
9. T. Brazleton noted from the Learning Board that Sunday School is going well but there is a need for substitute teachers. Reminded Council about upcoming Trunk or Treat event.
10. T. Milburn and Pastor Young presented updates on progress by the three Bethel Reforming Teams.
 - a. Implementing God's Mission Team has been meeting weekly and plans to present recommendations at November Council meeting.
 - b. Communicating God's Mission is reshaping Bethel's mission statement and logo. The Team will gather information from the Congregation during November to support this process.
 - c. Supporting God's Mission Team discussed shepherd/mentor team and plans to enhance database to include hobbies, interests, professions, etc.
11. D. Griffin updated Council on legal status of the Gugel estate. Initial handling of the estate by prior executor has resulted in recommendation that Bethel refund \$3,000 back to the estate. Council approved this recommendation to refund \$3,000. T. Millburn abstained from the vote and discussion. Council thanked D. Griffin for his hard work on this issue.
12. M. Asmussen updated Council on progress on flooding and mold issues in the Underground. He noted Terri Hollingsworth's hard work. Potential range for remediation is still undetermined but likely to be more than \$50,000. Council agreed to keep this Task Group together to assist with the repair project going forward. Council expressed thanks to the Task Group on all the hard work to date. Council was reminded that funds remain from the Gugel and Hostetler estates to offset some of the cost (approximately \$15,000). Other planned items from the Task Group that remain in process are steeple painting (when weather cooperates) and sound system (when D. Shoberg returns from his recent injury).

13. Council nominated members for election to Council terms to begin in 2019 and run through 2022. The approved slate was John Fredericksen, Traci Shoberg and Rose Pierce. This slate will be presented at the November Congregational Meeting. Council thanked P. Blevins for her devoted service to Bethel and the Council.
14. Approved plans for a fundraiser for a new piano for the sanctuary in 2019.
15. Discussed and approved the 2019 Ministry Spending Plan that was previously emailed based on various adjustments to anticipated income and planned expenses as discussed during the meeting. Final approved Ministry Spending Plan totaled \$485,205 will be presented for Congregation approval at the November Congregational Meeting.
16. Closing prayer by Pastor Young.
17. Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.