ROSEVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH Congregational Council Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2011

1. Call to Order

The Council meeting was called to order by Bill Metzger in the church lounge at 7:00 pm. Council members Bill Metzger, Larry Gunderson, Brian Heuer, Marlaine Maahs, Dave Lorenz, Carol Solie, and Kathy Pedersen were present. Pastor Craig Hanson and Intern Lyle Bellegue were also in attendance. Dave Werner and Pastor David Hanson arrived about 7:30. Mary Schultz represented the M&O Ministry team for #4 on the agenda.

2. **Opening Prayer and Devotion**

Brian Heuer led devotions.

3. Approval of Agenda

After a minor change in order, agenda was approved.

4. M&O Special Appeal

Mary Schultz read a letter from KJ Olson requesting a special appeal for funds to sponsor a dining hall in Martin, Slovakia. In honor of her mother, KJ would match donations at the rate of 1-for-2 up to \$10,000. The appeal would take place March 12-13 and 19-20. Dave Lorenz moved to approve special appeal, Larry G seconded and council unanimously approved.

5. **Review and Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**

There were no questions regarding the executive committee meeting minutes. Marlaine M moved for the approval of the December council meeting minutes and Carol S seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. **Organizational Updates & Liaison Reports**

M&O announced arrival of pens, ushers were very happy! a.

Youth & Family reported the Junior High Lock-in on 2/13 and b. on the plans for the silent auction for their upcoming fundraiser. Kathy suggested that council provide a service/event as an auction item (council expressed interest and tabled that discussed until later in the meeting.)

Adult Ed meeting discussed 10:10 hour, new Alpha offering C. in January and began planning for budgeting discussions.

LDS announced meetings will be held soon with ministry d. team chairs to discuss what's working/not, what help they need, etc. e.

All other reports were filed electronically.

7. **Blair Anderson Proposal Review**

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Bill shared the background on why Blair Anderson was contacted to submit a proposal. There was significant discussion about what the contents of the proposal meant and the necessity of some of the items, in addition to concerns about the process and timing. There was consensus on moving forward on the proposal once council and staff had an opportunity to ask questions of Blair directly. A special meeting with Blair, council and staff was set for Thursday 1/27 at 7:00. Council questions should be sent in advance to Bill for consolidation to aid in the efficiency of the special meeting.

8. Goals & Actions Discussion

Discussed change in wording of the 4th goal to "fostering relationships thru communications" et al. Bill will revise and send to council members.

The recommendations of actions for each goal were presented by the taskforce established in December and approved.

- **NOTE:** At this point in the meeting the agenda was revised to address the significant about of time already spent on the first 8 agenda items. The ELCA update was postponed to the February meeting and the time allotted for the remaining agenda items was reduced.
- 9. Jan 22, 2011 Lay Leadership Workshop Discussion David Hanson reported on agenda for the workshop and invitees were discussed. Responsibilities were assigned.

10. Open Communication Items

The building tour for council members has been rescheduled for February before the 2/10 council meeting. Discussion of council auction item will be discussed at February council meeting. Tia Toso presented a workshop to staff on using social media by non-profits (i.e. church). She will also present this topic at the 10:10 hour on March 6. Marlaine requested permission for 2 Girl Scout troops to sell cookies in the commons following the 2/13 & 20 services. Approved.

11. President-Elect Update

No council members were interested in moving into this position or that of the current VP. As a result, 3 past presidents were identified by Bill and Kathy to approach to fill the President-Elect term. The first candidate declined. Bill and Kathy are meeting with the second candidate the week of 1/17 and will continue down the candidate list as necessary. We hope to have a name to present to council at the February meeting.

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12. Pastor's Report

Pastor Craig reported that he felt staff is working better with each other than he has ever seen in the past and on the success of the staff Epiphany party hosted at his home. He also indicated he had received a call from the ELCA thanking RLC for their generous contribution to the Haiti relief appeal.

13. Closing Prayer

We closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Pedersen, Vice President