

Roseville Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes for

November 17, 2011
7:00-9:00 p.m.

1) Call to Order

The Council meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Kathy Pedersen, President-elect. Council members present were David Werner, Maren Schultz, Greg Johnson, Bryn Knatterud, Kathy Pedersen, Marlaine Maahs, and Dave Lorenz. Also in attendance were Pastor Craig Hanson, Pastor David Hanson, David Booms and Bridgette Allen

2) Devotion & Prayer

Pastor David led us in devotion and helped us quiet our souls in order to be to be filled with the holy spirit of God. We also discussed the remainder of Part I of, "The Next Christians", by Gabe Lyons and went around the room getting everyone's thoughts on it. For next time we agreed to read all of part II.

3) Approval of agenda

Agenda was approved

4) Review & approval of meeting minutes

Pastor David moved to accept the council meeting minutes from October 20th, and it was seconded and approved by all. The Executive committee meeting minutes were also reviewed.

5) Financial

It was discussed that we are doing quite well in that we are exactly on track compared to where we were last year. We are, however, slightly behind in our current budget. Stewardship committee has been discussing how to attract new givers. It was suggested that people are more willing to give to a compelling vision, such as to our relational ministry. It would also be great if we could get our existing givers to give a higher percentage. We should note that stewardship is a lifestyle; it is a response to the blessings we've been given. At the very least, we should remind members of all the ministries that are being supported here at RLC, and that people should stay consistent with their gifts to keep those ministries going strong.

6) Website – over view of new site

Dave and Bridgette led a review of the RLC website and what instigated the process of its recent update. There was a session that Dave and

others attended earlier this year, which generated a lot of excitement around doing something with our website to make it more useful to our members. It was noted that 61% of survey respondents indicated the church website is very important to them. Therefore, we reviewed various Webmaster candidates and ultimately selected Tim Bednar, to be our website developer. Another note, we now have the ability to monitor web traffic, which is important in learning what pages our of most interest and which ones may need further review.

7) Branding of RLC

Pastor David led us in a discussion regarding the current exploration of expanding our brand so it is more universal - RLC vs Roseville Lutheran Church. The ultimate purpose would be to appeal to a broader selection of prospective new members. We'd like to be able to reach out further than just the city of Roseville. Regardless of how this ends up, it is healthy to continually challenge ourselves as a congregation and question the current mindset.

8) Ministry Team and Committee updates

Here are some of the highlights:

Endowment Committee – Dave mentioned that the endowment committee is looking to nominate a new chairperson. An individual had been recommended, and was seriously being considered as long as she was found to be a member in good standing.

Christian life – Maren stated that they talked about goals for the “year of growth”.

Children's Ministry – provide some stewardship education for kids. Also get RLC involved in a family camp during the summer.

It was also noted that charters and goals are due prior to the December meeting. We each need to talk to committee chairpersons so this gets done.

9) Facility Exploration Committee update

Dave Lorenz reported that the FEC is working to arrange meetings with various groups to discuss facility needs. Kitchen crew is one group that has already met and they were very excited about the possibilities that were discussed. The goal is for Dave is to report back to council in February after the FEC has talked to as many different groups as possible.

10) Staff update

Jean Odean will be turning 80 soon, and a surprise party will be held in her honor.

Clement Mature will be ordained here at RLC and November 20th.

Chris Brademyer's grandfather died. Keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

11)Other business

It was suggested that we start inviting ministry team chairs to come to council meetings to share and listen.

The Directory – down to about 1 ½ weeks before it arrives...hopefully!

12)Closing prayer and adjournment

Pastor Craig led the closing prayer. The next executive committee meeting will be held on December 1 and the next council meeting will be held on December 15.

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg Johnson,
(Gayle Gedstad's substitute notetaker)