ROSEVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH Congregational Council Meeting Minutes February 23, 2012

1. Call to Order

The Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Scott Cordes, President. Council members present were Maren Schultz, David Werner, Greg Johnson, Bryn Knatterud, President-Elect Kathy Pedersen, Dave Lorenz, and VP Gayle Gedstad, along with Pastors Craig Hanson, David Hanson and Kris Kurzejeski. Also in attendance were Mary Peterson, Cindy Bjerk, and Dave Tetzlaff.

2. Opening Prayer and Devotion

Pastor Craig led devotion and prayer with discussion on the book of Mark. Also discussed the verse: "Lord, what would you have me to do?"

3. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

4. Review and Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Lorenz moved to accept the council meeting minutes from January 19th, and it was seconded by Werner and approved by all. The Executive Committee meeting minutes were also approved.

5. Mission & Outreach Ministry Team Report

Dave Tetzlaff was present to give an update on the activities of his team. We should all remember that our congregation is a tithing congregation, whereby 10% of our general offerings are designated for Mission and Outreach efforts. Dave also passed out the budget and goals for Mission and Outreach.

6. Fund Raiser Request for Bells

Cindy Bjerk was present to discuss a request for \$3,000 to refurbish and tune 3 octaves of bells. The motion was approved unanimously. The cost for continuing refurbishing of the bells will be inserted henceforth into the music budget.

7. Financial Update and Stewardship

Financials/Stewardship: RLC is in a similar situation as we were a year ago. The month of February kicked off the church pledge drive. As was discussed at the Leadership Retreat on Feb 4th, some of the activities will include home meetings and coffee shop meetings with members, Lenten soup supper presentations, etc. All members will be encouraged to increase their giving by one step as shown in the stewardship step chart. Since congregational contributions are basically flat compared to one year ago, and considering the fact that we need to address the 12% budget increase approved at the last annual meeting, the council needs to begin brainstorming methodologies to bring the 2011-2012 fiscal year to a successful conclusion.

8. Updates Ministry Teams & Committees

Mary Ann Bannerman has been nominated to replace Jonathan Rice for the next year on the Endowment Committee. Dave made a motion to accept this nomination and Maren seconded. Motion carried.

9. Christian Life Ministry Team

It was determined there will be a Christian Life MT chair whose responsibility will be to work closely with the Director of Life Ministry and the established advisory team. The chair will not be responsible for working with the spiritual health or hospitality components currently included in Christian Life. Those 2 components of our current constitutional CL Ministry will be responsible for developing advisory teams to support those respective areas. We anticipate that once established, someone from each of those advisory teams will be co-chairs of the CL Ministry Team. The current Directory of Life Ministry will be responsible for identifying a candidate for this year and will present the candidate to the Nominating Committee to include in their overall slate of candidates presented to Council.

10. Facilities Exploration Committee (FEC) Update

Mary Peterson and Dave Lorenz reported that the committee has wrapped up the meetings with input from various church groups. The FEC report was distributed to council. The council wishes to thank Mary and all the committee members for their efforts. The report shows that there is sufficient congregational interest in a building project to proceed to the next step. Pedersen made a motion (seconded by Lorenz) to ask the FEC Committee to identify a subgroup to write a draft of a Request for Proposal (RFP) and return to the April 19th council meeting. The intent of the RFP is to investigate some building/remodeling options at a level of depth to establish some cost estimates. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Open Pastoral Position – Call Process

This process will continue to be discussed at Executive Committee and Council meetings. It would be advantageous if we could add a new pastor sometime this summer, so that the new pastor could get acclimated to RLC before the September rush of the 2012-2013 program year. Craig and David will be leading the effort to identify the pastoral needs of the congregation and interviewing staff as part of the process. A position description will be prepared soon.

Respectfully Submitted, Gayle Gedstad, Vice President