

Minutes of RLC Council Meeting May 9, 2013

Present

Pastor Craig Hanson, Kathy Pedersen, Bryn Knatterud, Greg Johnson, Lon Erickson, Kris Olsen, Maren Schultz. Guests Vicky Lorenz and Dave Werner

Meeting of the Roseville Lutheran Church Council was called to order.

Devotions

Pastor Craig opened with a devotion and prayer

Agenda

Kathy called the meeting to order and asked for additions/changes to agenda. There were none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous council meeting were unanimously approved pending the correction of a typo. The minutes of the executive council were reviewed and there were no questions. There was a discussion about how to record confidential issues that should not be published in the minutes. It was agreed to record them as meeting notes and discussion followed on where to retain them. *NOTE: Following the meeting Kathy contacted Laurel and she has a locked cabinet where confidential meeting notes can be retained and made available only to Council President and Senior Pastor.*

Nominating Committee: On behalf of the committee Kathy recommended the final candidate for the Nominating Committee, Judy Ekern. Candidate was unanimously approved.

Bruce Russell Park: Vicky Lorenz updated council on some of the Roseville City Council meetings she attended relating to Bruce Russell Park. The city of Roseville park and rec department is undertaking a rehabbing of several city parks. Work on Bruce Russell is targeting for 2014 and 2015. The plan is to resurface the tennis courts, convert the current basketball area into pickle ball add a full ½ court basketball space, build a picnic pavilion area and upgrade some play equipment. She recommended that now would be the time to talk with the city to see if they are interested in the green space owned by RLC to add to Bruce Russell Park. At this time the space is used in the summer for a community garden but our custodians regularly have to clean up discarded furniture, trash, etc, at a cost to RLC throughout the year. Vicky recommended that council assigns a person(s) to contact Park and Rec staff and to begin discussion with the city regarding park upgrades and green space issues. She also recommended that we create a task force that would consist of an attorney and real estate person to help direct the discussion with the city. Lon Erickson volunteered to be the liaison with the city but understands that he is not in a position to negotiate on behalf of RLC.

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FDC Committee: Vicky Lorenz chairs the FDC committee and reported that they have completed their meetings with the architecture and are waiting for their final proposal. She provided a document on what the committee plans to bring to council to solicit their approval to move forward. She solicited feedback on what else council would like to see. She reported that we are close to but not yet at the maximum amount approved by council last year to pay for the assessment of the facility. She indicated we could have a 3D model built to provide a visual to accompany their proposal. Council indicated that it was not necessary for council but that it might be a possibility to add value if we decide to bring the proposal to the congregation at this time. It is anticipated that the FDC committee will make their recommendation to council at the June meeting.

Endowment Committee: Dave Werner, Committee chair, stopped in and asked for time to present the committee's recommendation for approved grants. There was some urgency around one of the grants and he needed council's approval. Six grants were recommended to fund out of ten grant requests. He indicated the committee's decision to not fund the same requests that are submitted annually or fund requests that are receiving funding from another RLC source. Dave described the requests and those that the committee recommends council approve funding. Council unanimously approved the recommendation. In addition, Dave requested approval to rebalance the funds in the endowment. Approval was given.

Stewardship task force: Greg reported there are currently two members that have volunteered to serve—Jane Anfang and Trupti Storlie.

Financial Update: Bryn presented the proposed budget to council and also indicated that Steve Henry wanted to give up dollars in his ministry plan to other ministry areas. The biggest difference is that \$44000 is released from restrictions. It was moved and seconded that the proposed budget be presented to the congregation at the annual meeting.

Associate Pastor of Youth and Family Job Description: Lee presented the job description drafted by the call committee. Council requested specific changes be made and council approved the job description pending those changes are made.

Transition: Steve Molin has accepted the call as interim senior pastor and Kathy is preparing the contract. There was a last minute need to announce his call before Craig's retirement sermon as a result of an unplanned article in the St. Paul paper resulting from Steve's announcement to his current congregation. There was discussion about how to engage Steve and council to get to know each other better prior to his arrival on July 8.

Run and Finish Strong: David arrived at the meeting to share plans for the relay of faith run and the separate Finish Strong campaign.

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Staff Updates: David also announced that our interns would be done June 30 which is a month earlier than planned. The reason is they need to be evaluated at the end of their internship and with both FT pastors leaving that evaluation moved up their end dates. David also suggested we need to have a person designated as the confirmation leader position to put in place for the summer. He recommended that Mathew Durance could fill this role until the associate pastor is hired. However, the formal internship should be concluded before the offer is made. Kathy indicated that Pastor Kris would be willing to stay on for an extended 1 year call to provide continuity, work with Steve and continue her current ministry. She is, however, interested and willing to consider participation in other areas of ministry. The question was raised on the procedure for extending her call. Kathy will look into this but in the interim council has approved extending her call following required procedures.

David's Resignation: As requested, David provided council with a draft of his resignation letter and then left the meeting. Kris will contact David to encourage him to revise his letter. It was suggested and unanimously approved that council should send a letter of explanation along with David's resignation letter. John volunteered to attempt the first draft and then email council for their input and revisions.

Farewell to Craig: Since this was Craig's final council meeting, council thanked Craig for his leadership and presented him a Green Bay Packer football signed by council members.

Meeting was adjourned following a closing prayer by Craig.

Respectively submitted,
John Davis