

RLC Council Meeting 1/15/15

Present: Kris Olsen, Sara Mohn, Lon Erickson, Kevan Moulton, Jim Stark, Janine Hughes, Jane Anfang,

Absent: Heidi George, Dave Hofeldt
Pastors + Staff: Steve Molin, Dave Booms, Sara Spohr,

Call to order: Kris called meeting to order

Prayer & Devotional: Pastor Steve. We have entered into Epiphany- coming into the light. Look for God sightings.

Approval of Agenda: Motion, seconded and approved

Approval of November Minutes, Motion, seconded and approved as written

Staff Updates:

Pastor Sara:

- Request for council to participate in faith conversations with Confirmands. Please come at 6:00 before council meeting on April 16th. If a few of us could be available Sunday, April 19th during 10:10 hour that would be great.

Pastor Steve:

- Shared feedback from Kris' exit interview and the grace with which she is leaving.
- Feed my starving Children project: Mission and Outreach will spearhead this. April 27th- May 1 are the dates.
- Strong new member group, eleven new families

Winter Table Discussion

Planning this has been a journey

Meeting will be:

- Opening by Pastor Steve
- Recap of info presented in December
- Discussion questions

Discussion ensued regarding the questions and fine-tuning the wording.

Update on Budget Process:

- Dave is working on gathering data to determine allocation of budget dollars to ministry teams.
- 10:10 hours planned

- Retreat possibly planned

Call Committee: Nomination forms are ready. Nominations will be accepted from February 1- March 1. Council will meet on March 10th from 6-9 to select committee from nominations.

Financials: December giving was over than expected and expenses were lower than we expected. We are slightly ahead of our budget plan. We had some generous gifts come in from individuals in December including some gifts to the building fund.

Staff appreciation: Lunch on Tuesday, January 20th at noon. It will be in room 40. Set up will be at 10:00 am. Please come if you can.

Project Home: Optimistic, but there is still a huge need for overnights. There is a large pool of volunteers we can call upon if needed.

Discuss regarding a potential need to revisit process for the project we take on so they fit within a ministry plan.

Ministry Teams:

- Endowment committee: raised \$5000 through love-lights. Looking to clean-up guidelines on granting funds. Grants will be given in May.
- Worship and prayer update tabled until next month.
- Mission and Outreach discussed Feed my Starving Children project. Committee is excited about it. Other discussion about Project Home. Things are coming together for that and volunteers are stepping up.
- Youth and Family Ministry- Three question survey going out to kids and parents. Summer-fest is coming up March 1.
- Adult Ed- all 10:10 hours scheduled through end of church year. Talked about home groups. Books study coming up: eight week study. Five week study on Philippians going on now. Back to basics.
- Youth and family- talking about engaging families, youth ministry conference in January, most of team is going, Auction will be March 1, 5-7:30

- Nominating- 13 positions to find. They are meeting again in January.
- Christian Life is January 20th.
- Stewardship- Continuing to meet to share information and maintaining communication. Year –end run- not necessarily for raising funds but as a year-end.

Green Space Update:

Things are continuing to move forward. Estimated that we will net \$98,000. Hoping to close by early to mid-February.

Next Meeting: February 19th

Following meeting will be March 10th 6-9

Also, plan on April 12th will be commissioning of Call Committee in the evening. This will be a congregational meeting.