RLC Council Meeting 5/19/16

Present: Sara Mohn, Dave Hofeldt, Kevan Moulton, Georgia Nygaard, Vanessa Anderson, Heidi George

Pastors + Staff: Lauren Wrightsman, Sara Spohr, Laurel Hofeldt

Absent: Dave Booms, Jim Stark, Jeff Johnson (particpated via phone), Jake VonDelinde

**Call to order**: Dave called the meeting to order

**Prayer & Devotional**: Pastor Lauren led us in prayer

**Approval of Agenda**: Approved

**Approval of April Minutes**: moved, seconded and approved.

**Endowment**

Endowment committee met. Grants were described. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the recommendation for endowment grants.

**Financial Update:** Laurel reviewed finances andreported thatwe are on track at this point to meet our budget for the year. However, May and June can be tough months.

**Proposed Budget for 2016-17**

Exec reported that they had met to set priorities to create a budget based upon the anticipated increased expenses and the trend in decreased giving that continues. The response to the Vibrant Faith initiative raised intent to give estimates by $35,000. The budget proposed by exec and endorsed by Finance committee spreads the cuts among numerous ministries and staff. It also relies on targeted asks throughout the year and releasing restricted gifts into operating budget.

Discussion ensued. A motion was made, seconded and approved to bring the proposed budget of $1,640,000 to the annual meeting on June 26th for the congregation’s approval.

The meeting was adjourned