

RLCC Council Meeting Minutes for Thursday, March 10, 2022

Meeting was held in the Upper Room with one attending by Zoom. Members in attendance were Mark Schubert, Russ Lord, Jay West, Steve Hanson, Pastor Pam Peterson, Lori Floyd. A quorum was established.

Lori Floyd nominated Russ Lord as Moderator Pro Tem. This was seconded by Jay West. There was no discussion and the nomination passed.

Jay West made a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 10, 2022 meeting. Russ Lord seconded the motion. Motion was passed and the minutes approved.

A motion for a consent agenda to be used for future meeting was discussed. This would allow agenda items that do not need action to be approved in on motion. Jay West made the motion and Russ Lord seconded. No opposition. Motion Passed.

Financial Reports was given by Mark Schubert. Discussion on the timing of reports and when they become available to the council. Reports should be available the Thursday before the scheduled meeting. Steve Hanson made the motion to change the timing of the financial statements those at the end of the previous month. Jay West seconded this motion. No opposition. Motion passed.

A letter from the former Women's Ministry was received requesting that \$3500 be donated to the Pool Fund and the remaining \$114.96 be given to the new women's group. There was discussion about the legal entity of the Women's Ministry and how the monies were held. The monies are in the churches account. Steve Hanson made a motion that the Council deny the request but leave it open for the request to be modified to a benefit for the church. This was seconded by Russ Lord. None opposed. Motion passed.

There was no new business for Deacons, Facilities, Christian Education committees. Stewardship and Outreach are wrapping up the Hazel Chamberlain Endowment activities.

Discussion was held on the Pledges to the church. Stewardship and Outreach would like to have access to the names of the people who pledge but not amounts in order to thank the people. Motion was made by Mark Schubert to allow Stewardship and Outreach to have access to the names of the people pledging. The motion was seconded by Steve Hanson. None opposed. Motion passed.

Pastor Pam Peterson requested that the pastor be allowed access to the financial giving records. There was discussion on the request. Motion to allow the pastor to have access to the names of the people who pledge was made by Jay West. Seconded by Russ Lord. Motion passed. Discussion was held on the access of the amount by the pastor. A motion to table the access to the amount of the pledge was made by Lori Floyd and seconded by Steve Hanson. This will be revisited next month. A motion was made by Russ Lord to table with request to gather perceptions of members.

Pastor Pam Peterson brought up the discussion of a gift matrix for the specific items needed by the church. Russ Lord will refer this to the Stewardship and Outreach committee.

Discussion was held on the need to establish a Nominating Committee of two or three. This could be an ad hoc committee. The Council will take this back to each committee for possible recommendations or volunteers.

The piano is owned by the Red Lodge Music Festival and is being housed in the sanctuary without a legal contract. It is insured. Steve Hanson will talk to Walter Klapp about the contract and language in the contract.

Pastor's initiatives included the number of non attenders. Seventeen are seasonal attenders, 26 have died. The remainder eighteen are not attending for other reasons. With the return to the traditional service, hopefully, these people will return. In regards the Pastor's goals, discussion was held on how Pastor Pam should proceed.

Proposal to have Stewardship and Outreach to take care of the Bob Moran Endowment dispersal. Motion was made by Jay West. Seconded by Steve Hanson. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion for RLCC to join RLACF as a member organization was made by Steve Hanson. Seconded by Russ Lord. Discussion was held. No opposition. Motion passed.

Steve Hanson Russ Lord, Jay West and Lori Floyd are interested in the process of calling a new Conference Minister. We will meet next Tuesday to fill out the survey.

A special gift was given to pay for RLCC participate in the Art Walk which is held the second Saturday of every month.

Conversation on the use of the church as a shelter for transients, emergency house, unhoused. No action needed.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Floyd