St. John Lutheran Church, Waseca, MN
Church Council Minutes
**May 14, 2019**

I. V.P Michael Schlueter opened the meeting.
II. Agenda approved.
III. No visitors were present.
IV. Pastor John led the Council in prayer for discerning the call for the new Synod Bishop.
V. Roll Call – All present except Don Wesseling and Valerie Possehl with excused absences.
VI. Sign-up sheet for Council Rep duties was distributed.
VII. Announcements - none

VIII. Regular Business

A. Secretary's minutes – motion by Merril Schultz and second by Gary Conrath to approve minutes of the April 2019 mtg. Motion passed

B. Financial Report – Al Tonn reviewed the April reports with Council.
Motion by Bill Erdman and second by Gary to approved the report.
**No action items**

C. Commission Building & Grounds – Bill Erdman
1. Everything outlined in last month's meeting is moving forward.
2. The roof is done and the furnace is re-installed.
His report was approved by Council.

D. Commission on Congregational Life: - Michael Schlueter
**No action items.**

E. Commission of Worship and Music: Merril Schultz
Merril reported that an *Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social* benefit is in the works for Jackie Krause on June 9. Merril asked that the fee for Trinity Hall be waived for this event since it is an all-church event. Motion passed to waive $50 fee.
**No other action items.**

F. Commission on Social Ministry & Outreach – Kari Priebe
*Undie* Sunday will again take place in August. Noted that the new items donated will go to the Neighborhood Service Center.
**Action Item**: Kari will prepare an announcement for this event for newsletter & bulletin.

G. Education Committee – Val Possehl
**No action items.**

IX. Other Business
A. Marty Aberle position was discussed.
1. Motion to approve the newly created Cross Generational Ministries job description was made by Gary and seconded by Bill. Motion passed.
2. Council discussed hours and salary for position. Motion by Merril and second by Gary to keep hours and salary the same until the end of the year. Motion passed.

B. Review of Constitutional By-Laws - Part I through Part III D.
No changes were offered.
**Action Item**: Council is asked to review Part IV and Part V before next meeting.

C. Scrip Update
**Action item**: Kari and Nancy will research further discrepancies and report to Council.

D. Pastor's Laptop – Pastor John researched an updated and needed church laptop. Total cost for computer and various needed hardware is under budget at $1598.00. Motion by Kari and seconded by Nancy Hansen to purchase items. Motion passed.

E. Offering for Synod Assembly
Pastor reported that the annual offering received at the Synod Assembly on May 31-June will be going to the following places: Good Earth Village, the two Campus ministry programs and Luther Seminary. Bill made a motion and Merril seconded to send again send $500 for this offering as was done last year. Motion passed.

F. Revisions to the *Custodial Job Description* (handout)
Council reviewed and approved the revised job description with appropriate changes. Discussion was held regarding storing all cleaning chemicals in one central place and adding appropriate safety measures.
**Action items:**
-Nancy will immediately revise description and send to Pastor, Don and Michael so interviews can begin. **Applications must be received by June 1.**
-Gary and Bill will head up the team to re-store and list cleaning products.

X. Pastor's Report
Pastor shared his written report of church activity. He suggested that the June and July newsletters be combined into one newsletter – saving mailing and printing costs. Council agreed.

XI. Motion by Gary and second by Merril to adjourn the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

XII. Next Meeting: June 11, 2019

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Hansen, secretary

Signed by President