

Calvary Council – Together in Christ, Empowered to Be and Make Disciples
Tuesday, June 8, 2021- Bethany Hall- 7pm

Attending: Shawn Swenson, Amber Willis, Pastor David Severtson, Pam Dekraai, Kevin Hanson, Mary Jo DeCathelineau, Sandy Hanson, Sara Bennett, Karen Loge, Richard Wog, Erica Mathews, Michelle Kotrba, Pastor Naomi Mahler, Pastor Dean Johnson, Janel Skindeliën, Kim Larson

Devotions: Pastor Naomi led devotions and icebreaker

Approval of Minutes for May 11, 2021, Council Meeting: Kim Larson made a motion to approve the minutes, Mary Jo DeCathelineau seconded. Motion passed.

Approval of May Financials: Kevin Hanson motioned to approve financials; Karen Loge seconded. Motion passed.

Board Reports:

Board of Stewardship- Stewardship reported that they have received back 39 Connect with Calvary cards. Fundraising letters should be done and going out in the next week. Please keep reminding Calvary members about filling out connect cards.

Board of Outreach- Pam Dekraai reported the board concluded their collection for Eagles Nest and the room is full of donations and \$745.00 cash. They are SO thankful for all the donations!

Board of Youth- The board reported that confirmation camp at camp house in Brimson is the 3rd week in June. Wednesday night church is starting up. In the fall they are looking towards dinner church/confirmation and high school groups on Wednesdays. ELCA gathering in 2022 is planned.

Board of Children- The board is looking to plan an event each month to help get families back to church. June will be movie night, July will be at the Dorothy Olson Aquatic Center, Aug 15th-Beach time at Games Lake, Sept 19th Rally Sunday. They also report that the Prayerground is back!

Board of Worship- They reported that the Director of Music job description was sent to Pastor Dean to approve. The call committee is being formed. The board asked everyone to join the 5:30pm Wednesday camp style church and bring your own supper if you like.

Board of Finance-Kevin Hanson made a motion for Building and Grounds committee to use up to \$10,000 for maintenance to upgrade the Bethesda property as they see fit and the money will be taken out of capital funds. Richard Wog seconded. Motion passed.

Finance reported that the phone system needs an upgrade, and they are working on bids. A down payment of \$8225.00 was made towards the bell repair and \$16,967 towards sanctuary lighting project.

Executive Board- Executive is working on the vision and scope of work for the consulting firm. They have a list of the consulting firms that the synod has used. Sanctuary lighting may begin in August. They are unsure of the timeline for the Bell company, but Randy Novak is taking charge. Endowment committee approved the Gifts of Grace contribution. The Covid Task Force was put on hiatus, hopefully we no longer need them, but they are available "just in case". Executive is hoping to have more information on consulting firm in July.

Staff Reports:

Pastor Naomi- Pastor Naomi is excited about Wednesday worship. She asks to please join and try it! Bylaw committee is meeting Thursday night, they are hoping they can circle back and get more council input. She asks that you please pray for Bishop elections.

Pastor Dean- Pastor Dean thanks the council for the interim opportunity. He believes the number one priority is calling Pastor David. Anniversary committee is taking the summer off. He reports he is busy with wedding and memorial services. He asks the council to please encourage attendance at church.

Pastor David- Pastor David reports that fall planning and Wednesday night worship is in full swing. He hopes to continue phone calls and visits when possible. Worship committee has approved the job description for Director of Music. There are 8 great people on the search committee.

Janel Skindeliën: Janel reports that the Prayerground is back! Nursery bags and nursery will be back this Sunday and will all be cleaned weekly, thanks to Beth Blomquist. She is working on the library and looking to revamp the space and reopen this fall. She is hoping the youth room can be repainted and be used as a Sunday morning gathering space for families.

Adjourn: Amber Willis motioned to adjourn; Mary Jo DeCathelineau seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Closing Prayer: The Lord's Prayer