

Messiah Lutheran Church – Support Committee

April 7, 2016, 7 p.m.

Present: Ron Foshaug, Lois Larson, Gordon Myrehaug, Dale Swanson and David Larson (council representative) Guest: Pastor Calvin Skriver

Devotions	Gordon shared his thoughts on the many blessings we have – in this country, in Camrose and the community and in Messiah. He closed with prayer.	
Old Business		
Budget	The amount of \$2500 was added to the service committee for Neighbor Aid and the Good Samaritan fund.	
Synod support	Support recommended to Council that Messiah use 10% of the total envelopes from the previous year to go to the Synod for our benevolence. Question as to whether or not this had been discussed at Council. Noted that the amount is \$34,655.50 for this year. Correction to the March 4, 2016 minutes.	Council
Photocopier	The quote Messiah received was for a scanner not for a photocopier so the monthly amount will be \$405. Black and white copies are 1 cent and color copies are 7 cents. M/S Don/Gordon that a back pack snow blower be purchased from capital projects. Carried. Don and Gordon will make the purchase.	
Snow blower	The family wishing to donate to the sign has suffered a job loss so is not able to donate at this time. The committee concurred that this could be a future project.	
Programmable sign	Calvin agreed to be the password administrator and arrange how it will be handled when he is away. Passwords are to be checked annually and that they are there for all the computers.	Dale
Passwords	This is in process.	Dale
Keys	Dale reported that Doreen’s mouse has been replaced but didn’t come with a USB for it. Dale is inquiring with the company.	
Mouse		Ron
	Dale reported the computers have been ordered and have arrived. They will be installed tomorrow. .	
Computers		Ron

Funeral home request	Council has approved coming up with a total price for funerals rather than breaking it down into its parts. Ron and Doreen will put together a sheet for this.	Dale
Wedding price list	Discussion on whether a similar total price should be set up for weddings. Consensus that an ala carte menu for weddings might be better. It would include \$200 for Lowell. Ron will check with Doreen regarding this.	
Web site	Dale will work on updating it as some of the information is quite out of date.	Ron
Internet outreach	Dale and Lowell will meet and get a list of equipment needed for the proposed internet outreach. A test URL will be used as it is being prepared.	
First Aid	Gordon reported that the First Aid kits have been upgraded.	
New Business Electronic door link	The company needs to install an interface board and then the wiring completed. Ed Brewer, a master electrician, has offered his assistance. This will enable Doreen to see who is at the link door and then open it if needed. It will also allow the use of a button to exit that door using the electric motor. Ron will check with Ed.	
Donor life insurance	A parishioner has designed a life insurance policy to Messiah and wants it to go into capital funds. Suggested that he have it designated "Messiah Lutheran Church-Capital Funds" as the beneficiary.	Ron
Elevator maintenance	Sheila was advised that hydraulic maintenance needs to be done on the elevator. Is this required? Thiessen Kropp elevator. Our maintenance contract was automatically renewed when it came due. To prevent this from happening in the future it was suggested that they be sent a registered letter stating that we do not wish to renew.	Council
Wires in the AV room	Two wires (blue and white) in the closet ceiling of the AV room were for a fire alarm sensor which is no longer there. Ron will check this out with D-2 or Ed.	
Summer service time change	Dale reported that changing the service time in the spring and again in the fall involves complex technology issues with Cable 10. It is preferred to keep the service at 10:30 year round. M/S Dale/Gordon that the service is kept at 10:30 year round.	

Kitchen request Pastor Calvin reported that a request has been received about using the MLC kitchen for cutting up onions. The person requesting this does fund raisers for various non-profits. Advised to check with Marie Brager (MLW) as they are in charge of the kitchens.

Building address Noted that delivery people cannot find 4810-50 Street as the AGT portion of our building has 4805 – 50 Street on it. Also suggested that the link door have a sign “handicapped entrance”.

Piano castors The piano in the Fellowship Hall has tiny castors which are not suitable for the new tile flooring. Temporary fix is a dolly under the piano. The piano tuner advises proper castors for the piano cost around \$400. Tova is to be involved when these castors are installed.

Light fixtures in Fellowship Hall The three light fixtures on the nursery wall cannot be turned off or on. Is there a switch behind the quilting closets?

Building use Could our building be better utilized M-F? Something that would fit Messiah’s mission would be perfect. Suggest a task force be established to look into this.

Budget restructure Could the budget be restructured to better reflect what we do? How the pastor’s time is used? What do we want to achieve? Place more resources to other areas?

Next meeting The next meeting will be **Monday**, May 2nd at 7 pm at the Larson’s. Note change of day. Devotions: Lois.

Lois Larson,

Secretary