

Charity Lutheran Church  
Meeting Minutes  
Vision Council General Session  
February 20, 2024

**Members Present:**

Staff: Doug Leet

Vision Council: Mike Fluharty, Craig Lohstreter (by Phone), John Seedorf, Sonja Murray, Ray Eckroth

Treasurer: Robert Nelson

Special Guest: None

Call Committee: Clark Johnson

- I. Mike called the meeting to order at 5:50 pm
- II. Approval of agenda.
- III. Mike opened with scripture and prayer.
- IV. Call Committee: Clark Johnson
  - a. New members have attended the first meeting of a full committee.
    - i. Brought up to date on the process of inquiries and applications that have been received since January.
  - b. Will be reaching out to LCMC pastors available for a call.
  - c. Will be reaching out to different seminaries.
- V. Treasurer: Robert Nelson
  - a. Robert reported that the January operating Revenue was \$52,574. January operating expenditures were \$40,006. January's operating net was \$12,568 over the operating expenditures.
  - b. Reviewed financial statements.
  - c. Ray motioned to approve adding the carryover and Church Plant as described in the special Gift Fund dated 2/20/2024, John 2<sup>nd</sup>.
    - i. Approved (5-0)
  - d. Ray motioned to approve the attached letter for the Trust Fund account ending in 1009, Sonja 2<sup>nd</sup>.
    - i. Motion approved (5-0)
  - e. Sonja motioned to approve the attached letter for Charity Lutheran Church Fund accounts ending in 3639, 5810, and 6172, Ray 2<sup>nd</sup>.
    - i. Motion approved (5-0)

**(Paused for Corporate Prayer)**

**The meeting called back to order @ 7:03**

- VI. Administrators report: Doug Leet
  - a. Youth Coordinator
    - i. Job posted on Charity's website, Facebook, and Job Service and LCMC
    - ii. Reached out to colleges.
    - iii. Will be posting to Indeed (having trouble accessing the site)
  - b. IT Update

- i. Nothing new to report
  - c. Staff Update.
    - i. Meeting on Wednesdays @ 10 am
  - d. Payroll Update.
    - i. First payroll was a success but delayed by 24 hours. No other problems with the new system.
  - e. Church directory
    - i. forms were sent out for a paper directory to be distributed in March.
      - 1. May do a picture directory later this year.
- VII. Pastoral Report:
  - a. None
- VIII. Meeting minutes for review/approval.
  - a. January 16, 2023
    - i. Ray Motioned made to approve minutes with corrections, Sonja 2<sup>nd</sup>.
      - 1. Approved 5 – 0
- IX. Old Business
  - a. Tartu
    - i. Had Zoom with Simon Hammer
    - ii. Progress moving forward of sending money to SON network in care of Tartu.
  - b. Corporate Prayer
    - i. Feb ~ Ray
    - ii. Mar ~ Mike
    - iii. Apr ~ Craig
    - iv. May ~ Sonja
  - c. Portfolio Assignments / Core Ministries
    - i. Discussion on what core ministries should be.
  - d. Education Ministry
  - e. Visitation Ministry
    - i. Carol Simenson is taking an interest in how this is structured as a ministry.
  - f. Interfaith Update
    - i. Had a meeting on February 8 to discuss the Interfaith program.
      - 1. Keep the program moving forward.
      - 2. Disband program.
      - 3. Heaven's Helper's possibility for the Churches to help there.
      - 4. Opened a 3-month CD with \$30,000 from the Interfaith program.
- X. New Business
  - a. Conversation on creating a district formation for LCMC Churches in a district around Bismarck.
  - b. Sonja Motioned to hold district of fellowship LCMC informational meeting on April 20, Ray 2<sup>nd</sup>.
    - i. Approved (5-0)

ii. Will Contact Julie Smith from LCMC to hold an informational meeting at Charity.

- XI. Next meeting date
  - a. March 19, 2024
  - b. Food ~ Mike
- XII. Mike closed the meeting in prayer.
- XIII. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John W Seedorf". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

John W. Seedorf

Vision Council Secretary