

St. Matthew's Church Council  
January 8, 2004

Prior to the meeting a video from synod on North American Outreach was viewed by the council.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Don Weltzien and opened with devotion.

The following were present: D. Weltzien, R. Krahn, S. Servais, R. Peregrine, E. Ziel, D. Reul, Pastor Schroeder and Pastor Rothe.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the minutes as read.

Discussion on Educational Fees was added to the agenda.

**Membership changes:**

A motion was made, seconded and carried to:

Receive (by transfer):

Dan and Mary Hatcher and children, Colton, Kaleigh and Graham from Immanuel, Long Valley, NJ

Receive (by adult confirmation):

Jules Winn

Dismiss (by removal) at the recommendation of Board of Elders:

Diana Binter

Amber Robertson

Natalie Robertson

Rochelle Robertson

Rita Schulte

Dale Sersch

The removal of Carol Stafford at the November council meeting was rescinded at the recommendation of Pastor Schroeder.

**Unfinished Business**

There was further discussion of the funds for land purchase for Hope Lutheran. It was decided that the funds would be transferred to a separate Money Market account within St. Matthew's system with a duplicate statement sent to Hope.

The every member visits will continue for the time being. Anyone willing to help please pick up a packet.

## **New Business**

The representative for the North American Outreach committee will be invited to give a presentation to the congregation.

Roger Preuss's health no longer allows him to perform his duties as Financial Secretary. R. Schmidt, Sr. will take over until the next election of officers. Because of this there is no financial information for M. Reidel to complete his reports. Therefore it was decided to postpone the congregational meeting until February 12, 2004. The next council meeting will be Thurs. February 5, 2004. D. Weltzien will check on whether the liability bond for the financial people is still in effect.

It was announced that T. Miller and D. Sandvold have resigned from their respective Boards. The nominating committee is attempting to find candidates to fill their remaining terms of office.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to obtain prices and seek approval from the Town of Oconomowoc for a 6'x12' sign on the new school property.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to ratify the actions taken at the December 2003 Council meeting.

### **Treasurer:**

No report

### **Financial Secretary:**

No report

### **Board of Education:**

A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the Educational Fee schedule as presented. The families from Hope Lutheran presently receive a \$1000 subsidy per student. This will be reduced by 1/3 each year until the subsidy is zero. E. Ziel will meet with a representative from Hope about this arrangement.

The Board of Regents of the Lakeside Federation will discuss the possibility of St. Matthew's becoming federation members at their May meeting. The cost of membership would be \$56,123/yr. The present budget amount is \$60,000. A representative from Lakeside will be asked to attend the February council meeting.

### **Board of Outreach**

No report

### **Board of Stewardship**

Matching gifts will be recorded differently in the future. The members of the finance committee will be recording the checks and depositing them themselves into the school

account and a copy of the deposit slip will be given to Mrs. Krahn in the school office. She will then write a check to the church for this amount. Smaller checks from individuals or families will be recorded until the full matching amount is reached and then they will be submitted to the matching organization.

**Board of Elders**

No report

**Board of Trustees**

No report

**Memorial Trust Fund**

Report filed on separate sheet.

**Pastors**

No additional report

**Mr. Ziel**

No additional report

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Krahn, Secretary