

St. Matthew's Quarterly Congregational Meeting
April 24, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Don Weltzien and opened with devotion by Pastor Schmidt.

The members in attendance are listed on a separate page attached to these minutes.

Pastor Schmidt was received as a new voting member.

Ron Hahm, Chuck Boehme, and Tom Miller asked to be excused from this meeting.

Minutes: The minutes of the October 2007 and January 2008 meetings were approved as presented.

Additions to the Agenda: Pastor Schmidt's housing allowance.

Membership Changes:

Susan Schuett was added to the list as "Received by Adult Confirmation." A motion was made, seconded and carried to receive by transfer, by profession of faith, and by adult confirmation the individuals listed on a separate page attached to these minutes.

Thomas and Candice Veigh were removed from the list of "Dismiss by release." A motion was made, seconded and carried to dismiss by transfer, by release and by removal the individuals listed on a separate page attached to these minutes.

Recommendations of the Church Council:

That Pastor Daniel Schmidt be granted an annual non-cash parsonage allowance of \$30,000 designated as part of his ministerial compensation for 2008. There was a motion made and seconded to approve this allowance. Motion carried.

To extend the divine call of Dennis Fletcher for one year, from July 1, 2008 to June 31, 2009. There was a motion made and seconded to approve the call of Dennis Fletcher. Motion carried.

To approve the appointment of Tony Kobussen as a lay delegate to the WELS Western Wisconsin District convention, June 8-10 at Luther Preparatory School. David Schmeling would be the alternate. There was a motion made and seconded to approve these appointments. Motion carried.

To approve the Worker Training Subsidy Payment Form and Distribution Rules. There was a motion made and seconded to approve the form and rules. Motion carried.

To change the service times of the Christmas Eve School Children's services to 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Eric Ziel stated that he had conducted a survey of the school families giving them several time frame options and this was the majority choice. There was a motion made and seconded to approve this change. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

None

Reports:

Business Administrator:

George presented his report to the congregation, which is attached to these minutes.

Financial Secretary:

There was a motion made and seconded to accept the Financial Secretary's report as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer:

There was a motion made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried.

Board of Education:

No report.

Board of Elders:

No report.

Board of Outreach:

The Board continues working with a graphic designer in developing a logo for the church and school.

The Board also is continuing work on the Ministry Plan action points.

Board of Stewardship:

The Board is currently tracking the "Repair the Temple" appeal and the fellowship activities every month.

The Greeters program is being worked on and is close to being fully organized.

The new member assimilation program is being implemented for five transfers to the congregation.

Board of Trustees:

George presented the written report from the Trustees, which is attached to these minutes. The board would like to thank the Bouche family for the diligent work on snow removal this winter and Stu Schramm for all the work he has done on George's new office and controlling water leakage. Also a new sign for the school playground has been donated by the Oconomowoc Sign Company and will be installed soon.

Officers:

Thanks to all who helped with the Schmidt family move and with Pastor Schmidt's installation.

Synod Communicator:
No report.

Memorial Trust Fund:
There was a motion made and seconded to approve the report as presented. Motion carried.

Lakeside Delegate:
No report.

Pastors:
Pastor Schmidt thanked everyone that helped with the move and extended Christian love and support to the family. Pastor Schultz summarized his written report, which is attached to these minutes. Confirmation examination will be on Sunday, April 27th. Reception for the confirmands will follow.
Pastor Schultz thanked the thirty-one elder assistants for their volunteer help. New member welcome will be Sunday, May 4th.

Mr. Ziel:
Eric reported that the faculty is re-vamping the math curriculum (K-8) at this time.
The accreditation process will be starting June 1st. This will be a two year project.
A color brochure was passed out for people to give to someone they know that may want the information. He explained some of the items in the Q & A insert in the brochure.

Staff Minister:
Dennis reviewed his written report, which is attached to these minutes. He stressed that anyone who has not gotten their application in for VBS/Soccer Camp needs to do so now so that materials can be ordered. Also more volunteers are needed.

The meeting was adjourned with a hymn.

Respectfully submitted,

Rik Krahn, Secretary