

Resurrection Lutheran Church

Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 20, 2017

Present: Don Thurmond (2018) President; Judy Stanard (2017) VP; Laura Lentner (2019) Secretary; Sarah Andricopoulos (2018); Pat Webb (2018); Senior Pastor Al Jensen, Executive Pastor Randy Winsand.

Absent: Lee Ruesch (2017) Treasurer, Dyann Roller (2017), Warren Burda (2019), Rick Webb (2019), Evangelism Pastor Tim Nybrotten.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President, Don Thurmond. Don did roll call.
2. Pastor Al Jensen gave the opening prayer.
3. Community Building-each Council member shared something special that they experienced this past month.
4. Council members called all the new members to welcome them to Resurrection.
5. Pastor Randy led the discussion on Chapter 9 of "Ask, Thank, Tell." The emphasis was on the importance of giving thanks to ministries and individuals that contribute to the work of the church.
6. Senior Pastor Report:
A Council Retreat has tentatively been scheduled for Friday night, November 3 and Saturday morning, November 4. Pastor said Grace Night has been stagnating and he will be talking to the key volunteers and discuss possible changes in the format. Starting in September RLC will be using "The Story," a prepackaged curriculum which encourages all members to cover the entire Bible in 31 weeks and sermons to coincide with the pertinent scriptures. Pastor Tim has used this previously with and highly recommends it. Connie Burda will coordinate small groups . The Pastors will take turns "crashing" the Confirmation classes on Sunday mornings. Pastor Tim's installation will be Sunday, July 23 at 4:00 p.m. All Council members are encouraged to attend.
7. Executive Pastors Report: Synod Assembly was June 9-10; the emphasis was on potential ministry leaders because of declining seminarians and increased pastoral retirements. Bishop Talmage received a farewell service. He has resigned to take a call as Senior Pastor at Love of Christ Lutheran Church in Mesa. The interim Bishop, Rev. Lowell Almen, was introduced.
8. Evangelism Pastor's Report: Pastor Tim is in Wisconsin packing and moving his family to Oro Valley. Tim is still learning about RLC and meeting people. He will be forming an Evangelism Committee with the goal of creating a strategic plan for growth and outreach. VBS was a very exciting time and Tim enjoyed his time working with the children.
9. Treasurer's Report: Lee was absent. Don reported all finances in good shape.
10. Staff Reports:
CDC: Doing well full enrollment with a few openings in the kindergarten class. Director, Chris Justeson, has been honored to be appointed the 2017 Director of the Year for the Evangelical Lutheran Schools & Learning Centers.
Music: summer is used for planning the coming year. The family of Don Mai gave a substantial gift to the Music ministry, Tanya is looking at places to best use the donation.

Child & Family Ministries: VBS was a big success. Brenda and Janitzky are working with Pastor Tim on plans for the fall. No Family Fellowship Events are planned for the summer.

11. Approval of May 16, 2017 Council Minutes. Judy moved we approve the minutes of the May Council meeting, Treasurer's report, Staff Reports and Pastors reports; Sarah seconded the motion, motion passed.
12. Standing Committee Reports:
 - a. Social Ministry: Randy reported that they are updating their Charter, hoping to complete that next month. The Shoes & Socks drive for Prince Elementary will take place in August, there will be a drive for school supplies in August, the food bank at Anna E. Lawrence school will expand from 30 to 40 volunteers. Habitat for Humanity has been a dormant ministry at RLC but resumption of volunteers is being planned. RLC received the LSS Servant of Christ Award at the Synod Assembly for benevolence; Marty Brown and Carolyn Nichols were especially recognized.
 - b. Fellowship: Sarah was unable to attend the meeting. They will send her the minutes soon.
 - c. Art By Heart: Did not meet this month
 - d. Saddlebrook: Pat Webb reported Soul Sisters remains active in the summer, Dave Stanard continues with publicity in the Saddlebrook newspaper keeping the congregation in front of the community
 - e. Property: The replacement of the metal roof in the gym is being done. The flat roof on the Outreach Bldg. will be done. Storage Garages: power is being put in by Bob Blizzard on the nonAC unit, insulation, sheet rock and AC will be done in the other unit. Outside painting may have to wait until the heat abates. The Committee hopes to have everything done and all materials moved in by the end of July. Don attended a meeting by the Town of Oro Valley regarding a planned housing development on First Ave. between Palisades and Tangerine. There will be 186 lots of 1-2 story homes. There will be another traffic signal installed on First Ave. between Palisades and Tangerine to handle traffic from the development.
13. Old Business: Discussion of Key Objective on Lay Leadership will be postponed until the July meeting because too many members were missing tonight.
14. Old/New business: Pastor Tim's installation is July 23, 2017; Council members have no job at that service.
15. New Business:
 - a. The Finance Committee has an opening; member, Dave Amble was recommended to fill the vacancy. Judy moved that Dave be nominated, Pat seconded the motion, motion approved.
 - b. One of the jobs of the Parish Administrator, Kathy Wahl, has been working as an authorized trader with Scottrade for any stock donated to RLC. As Kathy transitions out of her job, a replacement is needed. Sarah moved that Pastor Randy Winsand be added to this list of authorized traders to Scottrade from Resurrection Lutheran Church, Judy seconded the motion, motion approved.
16. The Finance Committee is recommending changes to their charter, replacing "Senior" Pastor with "Executive" Pastor to be in an advisory capacity. They also recommend that all members be on a 3 year membership cycle. Laura moved that the "Executive" Pastor replace "Senior" Pastor and that all members now be on a 3 year membership cycle; Sarah seconded the motion, motion approved.
17. Old Business:

- a. Check writing approval. Motion was made by Judy that Pastor Randy Winsand has the authority to approve the release of a presigned check, (which will be kept in the safe) in the absence of an authorized signer; Laura seconded the motion, motion approved.
- 18. Positive reflections; Council members each shared a positive reflection they have experienced on RLC Mission or ministry.
- 19. Pastor Randy gave the closing prayer.
- 20. Sarah moved that the meeting be adjourned, Judy seconded the motion, motion approved, Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.