

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING
October 6, 2009

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Kitty Krueger at 6:35 PM with the following Council Members present: Pastor Holtan, David Geiszler, Duane Lysne, Sheri Johnson, Julie Baumgart, Craig Johnson, Kitty Krueger, and Connie Mort.

Also Present: Shirley Pauna and Randy Graham.

II. Devotions: Craig Johnson led the Council in devotions and prayer.

III. Officers' Reports

Secretary's Report

***Action:** Pastor Holtan moved, Cindy Hurt seconded the following: Be it resolved that the minutes from the September 8, 2009 Regular Meeting be approved. Motion passed unanimously.*

***Action:** Duane Lysne moved, David Geiszler seconded the following: Be it resolved that the minutes from the September 16, 2009 special meeting be approved. Motion passed unanimously.*

Treasurer's Report: Randy Graham presented the treasurer's report as follows:

	Sept Rev.	Sept Exp	Sept Balance	YTD Balance
General Fund	\$31,285.22	\$30,635.37	\$ 649.85	\$(18,834.52)
Building Fund	\$ 6,358.84	\$ 5,832.00	\$ 526.84	\$(6,874.98)

***Action:** Julie Baumgart moved, David Geiszler seconded the following: Be it resolved that the Treasurer's Reports be approved. Motion passed unanimously.*

IV. Committee Reports

Education- None

Personnel – Employee reviews will be completed the first week of November.

Property – Grass planting around the parking lot will take place in spring.

Social Ministry- The September Retreat was exceptional.

Stewardship – None

Worship- There will be an Age to Age Concert on December 19th. Suggest an invitation be extended to the elder's home that residents attend.

Evangelism – None

Youth & Family – Pumpkin sales are going well.

President – Hearing more positive reactions about the Synod resolution. Matters of the Heart presentation at Immanuel Lutheran in Wadena October 18th from 7 – 9 PM. Five leaders from the Calvary will attend.

V. **Staff Reports**

Pastor Holtan – There were three group meetings after the adult forums. Discussed Faith in Action Sunday on October 11th.

Office – None

Amend Agenda: *Pastor Holtan moved, Sheri Johnson seconded the following amendments to the current agenda:*

1. Correct item a. under Discussion Items to read "Review U.S. Congregations Survey at November Council Meeting"
2. Add b. Proposed Marriage Retreats to Discussion Items.
3. Add c. Annual Meeting Protocol – Council members will provide 3 dozen sandwiches each, congregation will provide bars, chips and pickles will donated or purchased.
4. Add d. Proposed Marriage Retreats to Action Items

VI. **Discussion Items**

A. Review U.S. Congregations Survey at November Council Meeting - New council members will be invited to attend this meeting and discuss with current council the strengths and weaknesses of Calvary outlined in the survey results. The majority of the meeting will be dedicated to this discussion and its implications on Calvary's focus.

B. Proposed Marriage Retreats – Pastor Holtan presented information on the current wedding policy and a program Pastor Gordon Lee of Detroit

Lakes runs. Pastor Holtan would like to see this be a requirement for couples being married at Calvary.

- C. Annual Meeting Protocol** – Council members will provide 3 dozen sandwiches each, congregation will provide bars, chips and pickles will donated or purchased.

VII. Action Items

A. Fundraiser Requests:

Action: Sheri Johnson moved Julie Baumgart seconded approval for a pancake breakfast on December 6, 2009 to raise money for the endowment fund and Pastor Appreciation Sunday. Pastor Holtan wishes to dedicate that portion to Video Ministry. Motion carried.

B. Budget Approval:

Action: David Geiszler moved Sheri Johnson seconded approval of the 2010 Budget with the following provision: David Geiszler, Pastor Holtan and Shirley Pauna have authorization to negotiate the Youth Director's employment contract. Motion carried.

C. Approve Annual Meeting Agenda:

Action: Julie Baumgart moved Connie Mort seconded approval of the annual meeting agenda to be identical to the prior year's with the omission of financials due to the incomplete fiscal year and new timing of the meeting. Motion carried.

D. Pre Marriage Retreats:

Action: Craig Johnson moved Duane Lysne seconded that effective immediately Calvary will expect all couples recording their marriage at Calvary Lutheran in Perham regardless of presiding pastor or location to participate and complete the PreMarriage Retreat offered through the program presented by Pastor Gordan Lee or a suitable substitution be approved by Pastor Holtan. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM and the Council closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Mort