

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, July 17, 2012
7:00 pm



Members Present: Carole Ryan, Ken Beaulieu, Joyce Eggleston; Christine McGraw, Jill Nugent, Jon Timmons, Rachel Zippwald, Pastor Chris Tweitmann
Staff Present: Janie Andrich; John Heideman; Betty Wardle
Guests: Nominating Team Member Ralph Clark

I. Call to Order

- a. Carole Ryan called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

II. Opening Prayer

- a. Ken Beaulieu opened the meeting in prayer.

III. Prayer Requests and Affirmations

- a. Prayers for Vicki Braddock having double knee replacement surgery 7/18
- b. Praise – Jack & Rory Woodbury returning from Africa today.
- c. Prayers for Kathy Ritchey, daughter Ava and son Aden – strengthen the family during transition.
- d. Praise for a lot of new faces at Grace on Sundays.
- e. Praise for Good News Ministry.
- f. Praise for large attendance at WOW, with retirement communities bringing guests, and speakers featured at the luncheon. Current speaker will discuss end of life issues.
- g. Praise for the new paint on the sanctuary ceiling and for holy oil in the paint to cover the sanctuary.
- h. Praise for successful High School beach camp and Jr High dive-ins.
- i. Praise for Jon Alexanian and Beth Tweitmann for the huge amount of ministry that they are doing and keeping within their budgets.
- j. Praise for Virginia Higley, Yvonne Garcia and Rick Wisser for their hard work during the preschool move.
- k. Praise for the positive feedback received for the preschool - 8th grade summer program.
- l. Prayers and Praise for the Senior send-off on July 31.
- m. Praise for a great Sunday School Promotion Sunday.
- n. Praise for the recent Cursillo weekends and for the open Ultreya at Grace on Aug. 19.
- o. Prayers for S.H.I.P. at Grace July 28 – Aug. 11 – still need night supervisors.
- p. Praise for the Missions night on Aug. 13 with Mark Williams sharing on sharing our faith with Muslims. Looking for a speaker on Mormonism for another night.
- q. Prayers for Corrine, Carole's granddaughter, who is going home tomorrow and for Olivia who is moving to Riverside, pray for a good transition.

IV. Secretary's Report

- a. **Motion presented to approve the June council minutes. Motion was approved.**

V. Acceptance of Ministry Team Minutes

- a. Minutes were submitted from Reaching Out Team

Motion presented to approve the Reaching Out Team Minutes. Motion was approved.

VI. Business Administrator's Report

- a. John Heideman provided a written report (attached)
- b. **Motion presented to approve the Business Administrator's report. Motion was approved.**

VII. Treasurer's Report

- a. No treasurer's report submitted as the fiscal year is not yet closed.

VIII. School Report & Acceptance

- a. Janie Andrich presented a written report. (attached)

Motion was made to approve the School Report. Motion was approved.

IX. Call Committee Report

- a. Ralph Clark, chair of the call committee gave the council an update on the search to fill the two remaining council positions.
- b. The council gave Ralph feedback and insight to assist the call committee in the process.

At this point, Ralph Clark, Janie Andrich and John Heideman left the meeting.

X. Pastor's Report

- a. Will be preaching on Haggai for 2 more weeks.
- b. Due to the positive response of the "State of Grace" sermon on June 16, Grace will have one combined service at 9:30 am from August 12 - Sept. 2. Pastor Chris will present an introduction to the series on August 5th. The series will feature testimonies from Drew Hunthausen, Jack & Rory Woodbury, Duncan McGraw, Jon & Val Finch.
- c. Pastor Chris will attend the NALC Theological Conference and Convocation in Minnesota on Aug. 14-17.
- d. While in Minnesota, Pastor Chris have an interview to complete the process of being rostered in the NALC.
- e. Pastor Chris will partner with Pastor Paul Finley for our Alpha program in September and hopes to partner with him for additional things.

XI. Old Business

- a. Grace's new photo directory is almost complete. Thank you to Jorge Garcia for taking many of the photos in the directory and to Patty Eggink for many hours spent putting the directory together.

- b. Job Descriptions being collected from all Elders. The proposal to create Grace Life and Grace Care from Authentic Community will be voted on at the August council meeting.
- c. Pastor Chris presented the job description for the position of Pastoral Care Minister. As part of this position, it is understood that any counseling appointments generated from contact with Grace, will be done at no charge. Any outside counseling appointments will be done offsite.

**Motion was presented to accept the new Pastoral Care Minister job description.
Motion was approved.**

XII. New Business

- a. SHIP on campus July 28 – August 11. Elders will serve dinner on August 4. Joyce Eggleston, Jill Nugent, Ken Beaulieu, Pastor Chris Tweitmann, Carole Ryan and Betty Wardle volunteered to help.
- b. Pastor Chris has offered coaching for those serving communion at the 8:30 service. Blessings are given to each table after they receive communion. Some servers are unsure what this blessing entails and are hesitant to be the person giving the blessing.

XIII. 3DM Update

- a. Pastor Chris gave the Elders an overview of 3DM.
- b. A handout was distributed which laid out the four 3DM phases for the two-year period.
- c. The central idea behind 3DM is not a philosophy or program, but rather concepts that embody what it is to be a disciple – a follower of Jesus and to pattern our lives after him.
- d. Two books are suggested reading: “Covenant and Kingdom” and “Building a Discipling Culture”, both by Mike Breen.

XIV. Closed Session

- a. Closed Session entered in order to discuss confidential HR matters.

XV. Closing Prayer

- a. Rachel Zippwald closed the meeting in prayer.

XVI. Adjournment

- a. Meeting was adjourned at 10:19 pm

Next regular council meeting will be held Tuesday, August 28th, 6:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine McGraw
Council Secretary