

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Meeting Minutes – Annual Congregational Meeting
June 5, 2011, 10:00 AM

I. OPENING ITEMS

A. OPENING PRAYER

1. Pastor Chris opened the meeting in prayer.

B. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ADOPT AGENDA

1. Rachel Zippwald called the meeting to order at 9:54AM.
2. Motion was presented to adopt the agenda; motion seconded and approved.

C. APPROVE MINUTES

1. Motion was presented to adopt congregational meeting minutes from the annual congregational meeting on June 6, 2010 and from the special congregational meeting minutes on January 23, 2011 and May 15, 2011.

D. TREASURER'S REPORT

1. Tom Livengood and John Heideman presented the annual treasurer's report outlining the current financial position for the church's operating accounts and Grace Lutheran School.
 - a. The church and school have both been faced with financial challenges this year. Expenses have been watched very carefully at both sites and cuts made when needed.
 - 1.) The Council anticipates that the church will finish the year with a loss; The church budget anticipates actual income in the amount of \$1,094,931.00 from benevolences and program income; expenses for ministry programs and staff/administrative expenses are budgeted at \$1,123,753.00 for an annual net income of \$(28,822.00).
 - 2.) The school administration anticipates that the school will finish the year with a loss; The school budget anticipates actual income in the amount of \$2,817,887.00 from tuition, program income and donations; expenses for programs and staff/administrative expenses are budgeted at \$2,877,222.00 for an annual net income of \$(59,335.00).

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF BUDGETS

1. Tom Livengood and Janie Andrich in turn presented the budgets for the church and the school.
 - a. The church budget for the coming year anticipates income in the amount of \$1,135,201.00 from benevolences and program income; expenses for ministry programs and staff/administrative expenses are budgeted at \$1,134,753.00 for an annual net income of \$839.00.
 - b. The school budget anticipates income in the amount of \$2,955,638.00 from tuition, donations and program income; expenses are budgeted in the amount of \$2,953,004.00 for an annual net income of \$2,634.00
2. After brief discussion, a motion was presented to accept the church and school budgets; motion was seconded and approved.

B. ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. The Nominating Team presented the following people to the congregation as to serve on the Church Council for 2011/2012:
 - a. Joyce Eggleston – Reaching Out
 - b. Vicki Braddock – Adult Education
 - c. Jill Nugent – Authentic Community

2. In order to maintain the current system of having three members rotate off each year, Ken Beaulieu is being nominated for a 2-year term on the Council to end in June 2013.
3. A motion was presented to accept the four Council nominees; motion was seconded and approved.

C. RECOGNITION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Carole Ryan introduced Debbie Graves, Tom Livengood and Elizabeth San Filippo as retiring Council Members and thanked them for their service to the team. The remaining team members were asked to stand and acknowledged as well.

III. CLOSING

A. CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT

1. Debbie Graves closed the meeting in prayer and adjourned the meeting at 10:35 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine McGraw
Council Secretary

Approved