

**GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 16, 2010**

PRESENT: Pastor Vicki, Paul Goodridge, Walda Helvie, Amy Honnerlaw, Rainer Jaeschke, Wayne Kennett, Todd Kuhse, Don Shattuck

ABSENT: Craig Bluemlein, Doug Ebert, Donna Lancaster, David Quandt, Hansel Ramathal

Don called the meeting to order and Amy led the opening prayer.

Don presented the agenda. Paul moved, and Rainer 2nd, to adopt the agenda as revised. Carried.

Todd presented the minutes from the April 18, 2010, meeting. Amy moved, and Rainer seconded, to accept the minutes, and the motion carried.

I. SPIRITUAL SHARING

Brief reflection and stories of faith shared by all.

II. DISCIPLESHIP TEAMS

The Worship & Music Committee would like to organize a brainstorming meeting with the regular attendees of the 8 AM service for ideas to grow or enhance the service and attendance. Council agreed with the plan.

Pastor Vicki asked for letters be sent to STARS and Hospice for gifts of additional chairs for the Fellowship Hall. Todd will compose letters for Don's signature.

III. OLD BUSINESS

- ◆ Constitution & By-laws Changes: Don gave an update. The task force has completed its work, and no additional changes to their recommendations are needed. Council tabled discussion and action on this work until the June meeting.
- ◆ Business Manager: Todd reported that there have been two members submit resumes for the position, and the search committee will conduct meetings with each of them, and make a recommendation to Council by the end of May. Council may have a special meeting to discuss the recommendation, instead of waiting until the next regular meeting.
- ◆ Security System: Paul gave an update. The door between the office area and Fellowship hall is, by code, an exit from the offices, so it cannot be locked. The primary need for this security is the protection of the Preschool. The Preschool Governing

Board will need to take responsibility for this security. The office entrance can be controlled so that no one enters the office to go to the preschool, but the Preschool needs to have a system that allows all entrants to be cleared through the building entrance directly into Fellowship Hall. An overall building security system will be very expensive, and the proper approach at this time is extensive diligence at the end of each day to make sure the building openings are all closed.

- ◆ Facility Use Request and Agreement: Paul distributed revised versions of the agreement, based on the work of a task force. This would be used for outside groups and individuals. Members have a separate informal agreement, usually used for weddings. Council discussed the issuance of keys and danger of them not being returned. Property should investigate re-keying the Fellowship Hall entrance with a sub-lock of the existing master key, and that sub-key would be issued to outside groups. Then if a key is lost, that would be the only door needing to be re-keyed, and all existing master keys would still open that door. Council agreed that the Facility Use Agreement should be implemented as presented and amended. Debbie will administer the process.

- ◆ Council Prayer Sessions: Decided to meet on Committee Nights at 5:30 for group prayer. Amy and Walda will develop a schedule for prayer sessions in other months.

- ◆ Don reported that the 2009 Financial Review Committee is ready to begin the audit. Jennifer is working on putting the information together for them to review.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- ◆ Don reported that Committee night format will change back to a joint Chair/Council session beginning at 6:00, primarily as a sharing session. Dinner will not be provided, so bring your own food. Separate committee meetings will begin at 7:15.

- ◆ Council discussed a request by a member to develop a Gloria Dei business directory, which would include contact information about business owned by, or services provided by Gloria Dei members. Council is in agreement that a directory is a good idea, but there should not be a charge to the businesses to be in it. Printing of the directory could be done at the church. As a side note to the discussion, Council would like the Communications Committee to look into a secure, members only, web portal site for access to information such as the membership directory.

- ◆ Council discussed concerns regarding a “bazaar” atmosphere that sometimes develops in the Narthex and welcome center when a number of fund raising events/tables are set up at the same time. It was acknowledged that there are a lot of outside, or one-time, activities that are important to Gloria Dei’s mission, and we want to give the membership an opportunity to support these efforts. One idea expressed is to develop an ideal table layout to optimize the use and flow in the welcome center.

◆ The preschool budget for the 2010-11 school year is ready for Council review, but wasn't available at the meeting. Don will distribute the budget to Council members for review, comments, and approval prior to July 1st, when the Preschool fiscal year begins.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Amy led the Closing Prayers. Todd made motion to adjourn meeting, Paul 2nd the motion and it carried.

Next Council Prayer session: June 7th at 5:30.

Next Committee Meeting Night: June 7th at 6:00 (Joint Chair/Council)

Next Council Meeting: June 27th (Walda will lead prayers)

We are saved by Grace through Faith and are called by the Holy Spirit to make Christ known. In joyful response, we strive to...

- *Love God*
- *Love others as God loves them*
- *Live as disciples*
- *Grow Spiritually*
- *Share the good news*

Todd R. Kuhse
Secretary