

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MINUTES  
February 14, 2016**

Call to order at 1:35 P.M. by President Sergent.

Devotion by Pastor Bruner.

New voting members: Dan Brandle, Diane Mills, Marci Draper. Moved and supported to accept new members. Motion carried.

Moved and supported to accept-

Transfers In: Paul, Jessica, Sophia & Xavier Mueller, St. Peter Lutheran, North Judson, IN.

Transfers Out: Angelique Babcock, St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth; Joel Keinath, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Wichita, KS; Roger Leach, St. Martin, Birch Run.

Releases: Rodger & Judy Grulke, Diane Leach, Nicholas Leach.

Profession of Faith: Steve & Cindy Waterman, St. Luke's, Vassar, Diane Williams

Motion carried.

No Old Business.

**REPORTS:**

Board of Elders- Membership changes moved and supported. Motion carried. Looking to expand hearing devices and into purchasing gluten free wafers. Trying some improvements learned from Elders Workshop.

Board of Stewardship-TIM Missionaries Pastor Ferry, Pastor Erber and Pastor Roeske. Moved and supported to donate \$100.00 each to Maylynn Wager, Bethany Daenzer, Nate Kern and Janette Keinath for Mission Trips. Motion carried. Chris Washburn is new Chairman for Board of Stewardship.

Board of Trustees-Building and grounds being maintained and repaired. Thank you extended to Trustees for fixing lights.

Board of Fellowship & Youth-Fish Fry went well.

Board of Salary & Personnel-Moved and supported Council's recommendation that Diane Mills be temporary Chair of Salary & Personnel until a church member can be found to fill that position. Motion carried.

Board of Education-Mr. Walz declined our call, so process begins again. All calls are done by May 31. Replacement for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade teacher is needed. It was asked if we are going to try to call David Kaiser for the Principal position. Question asked if tuition part of deficit. It was explained that approximately \$58,000.00 was part, but a third party collection agency has been engaged for these collections. Anything over seven years has been written off as bad debt but remainder has been turned over to the agency.

Administrative Pastor-Pastor Bruner had printed combined report.

Associate Pastor-Pastor Abatelli was included in the combined report from Pastor Bruner.

Principal's Report-Need to fill upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> Grade vacancy. Lutheran Schools Week begins March 6. Second Grade tested at 99%. We are continuing the Accreditation process~may take up to 1½ years to complete. Thank you to Kristy Sherman and Denise Hoard for doing a great job with Student Council and to Joyce Wager for the Carnation Sales. A call will be made to Christy Ostrander as soon as colloquy is accepted.

Board of Finance-Moved and supported to have Jacob Petzold removed from signature cards and Diane Mills be added. Motion carried. Moved and supported that the following resolution be approved to renew the Line of Credit

BE IT RESOLVED that Edward Sergent and Steven Kern as the President and Treasurer are authorized and directed to execute all documents necessary to renew the congregation's line of credit with Church Extension Fund of the Michigan District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (CEF) in accordance with the terms, policy and conditions being extended by such Lender at the time of execution of the loan documents.

---

Sheila Hebner, Parish Secretary

Motion carried. Moved and supported to amend motion to renew Line of Credit, that Treasurer be changed to Director of Finance. Motion carried.

BE IT RESOLVED that Edward Sergent and Steven Kern as the President and Director of Finance are authorized and directed to execute all documents necessary to renew the congregation's line of credit with Church Extension Fund of the Michigan District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (CEF) in accordance with the terms, policy and conditions being extended by such Lender at the time of execution of the loan documents.

---

Sheila Hebner, Parish Secretary

Evangelism-Submitted a written report.

Social Concerns-Is self supporting to help the community. Work with Millington Ministerial Association (local churches) and assisted over 100 families, with an allocation of \$15,000.00. St. Paul started a fund to aid our share and recently a crop was held raising \$1600.00. Baby Bottle Boomerang is coming up and the Diaper Drive will be in the fall to help the Community Center and involving our students. Dorcas will be working on Cathy Caps.

Trust & Investments-Moved and supported to

1. Allow purchase of two (2) Manual Height Adjusters for fixed basketball hoops for \$1520.00. This would allow hoops to be manually adjusted to lower heights for younger youth, to teach proper basketball skills.
2. Allow purchase of three (3) wireless access points for Library/Youth Room, Parish Hall and Activity Center for \$199.00. This will complete the system to provide access throughout the entire building.
3. Allow Board of Finance to purchase three (3) USB Credit/Debit card machines in the amount of \$250.00. This will allow acceptance of Credit/Debit cards, ACH transfers for payments for school fees, childcare, LatchKey fees, various church fees or payments (weddings, room rentals, fundraisers, etc.).

for a total amount of \$1,969.00. Motion carried.

Auction Committee will meet Tuesday, February 16 in Library. Deadline will be decided at this time. Auction will be April 30, doors open at 11:00 A.M. with auction beginning at 1:00P.M. We would like to have at least 200 items to make the auction worthwhile.

Closed with Common Doxology.

Meeting adjourned 3:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Hebner, Parish Secretary