

St. Paul Lutheran Church-Voters' Assembly Meeting-February 16, 2014

Meeting called to order by President Jeff Yorke at 1:30 pm.

Pastor Abatelli opened with Hymn #842 and devotion.

Acceptance of new voting members: Lorie Keinath, Julie Rude, Mike Hoard, Terri Jo Keinath, Mark Wyman, Denise Miller, Rod Wilson, Janice Gordon, Katie Abatelli

Moved and supported to accept minutes from December 15, 2013 meeting. Motion Carried.

Administrative Pastor: Pastor Bruner was absent due to ministry emergency. Jeff Yorke gave Pastor's report. Pastor Bruner turned down the call to Hubbard Lake. He still has many goals to work on at St. Paul.

Associate Pastor: Pastor Abatelli had a printed report.

Principal: Elaine Bickel reported on the make up of snow days. No local decision has been made yet. Preschool and Kindergarten round up are coming up soon.

Family Life Director: Laura Gleim had a printed report. She said that Lenten soup suppers would be starting soon. The Color of Rain event was attended by over 100 people.

President: Jeff Yorke discussed board vacancies and possible ways to reorganize some boards.

Board Reports:

Board of Education: The call list for the principal's position should be here soon.

Board of Elders: No report.

Board of Evangelism: No report.

Board of Youth and Fellowship: Fish fry went well.

Board of Finance: Steve Kern reported the total General Fund deficit of \$49,404.64. January income was down and expenses were up for the month.

Board of Social Concerns: The board received three requests for help in the month of January.

Board of Stewardship: The second phase of the seeds of thanksgiving is continuing. The board recommended the following for TIM fund support in 2014: Current fund

balance: \$11,874.07. Pastor Charles Ferry: \$3200.00, Pastor Todd Roeske: \$3200.00, Pastor David Erber: \$3700.00 and the following three members of our congregation who are planning mission trips this year. Janette Keinath to Guatamala assisting with eye care: \$500.00, Rachel Ill to the Dominican Republic with Hope International Ministry: \$500.00 and Bethany Daenzer to Alaska with Alaska Missions to Christ: \$500.00, for a total of \$11,600, leaving a balance of \$274.07 in the TIM account. It was moved and supported to accept the board's recommendation. Motion carried.

Board of Trustees: Thanked Dwight Keinath and Mike Ziegler for taking care of the snow removal and Mr.& Mrs. Dale Hanlin for the gift of a snow blower for the sidewalks. The church sign is here.

Committee Reports:

Building Committee: No Report.

New Business

Board of Elders: Membership changes: Transfers in: Irevva Wolverton, by profession of Faith. Transfers out: Mike and Tammy Daenzer, Michael and Mathew Lynn to St. Michael's, Richville. Linda Evans Schmidt to St. Mark's Flint. Moved and supported to accept changes. Motion carried.

Pastor Abatelli housing request. There was much discussion on this. It was moved and supported to involve Rev. Kirk W. and Katherine E. Abatelli entering a mortgage agreement and corresponding promissory note with St. Paul Lutheran Church. Said mortgage would be assigned to the Church Extension Fund at the loan closing with St. Paul Lutheran Church also exercising a promissory note with CEF, not to exceed \$140,000.00. Vote by paper ballot: 23 yes, 18 no, 1 abstaining. Motion carried.

Moved and supported to destroy ballots. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned with the singing of the Common Doxology at 3:45 pm.

There were 53 members present.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Hunt, Secretary