

Church Council Minutes – 3/19/2026

Present:Lindsay Gustafson, Pastor Nat Bothwell, Cindy Zimmerman, Lona Boyarsky, Jana Mitchell

Absent: Ed Fulk, Rose Arrasmith, Brenda Neville

Lindsey called the meeting to order at 5:03.

Lindsay led devotions/prayer.

Cindy moved to approve the March agenda, Jana seconded. No discussion needed. Passed

Strategic Conversation:

Spring cleanup conversation

- Date? Confirm with property and scouts that date works.
 - Kelvin ok w/ 4/11, 4/18, or 5/2.
 - Nat will check w/ Kurt Jones to check on Scouts availability.

- Christmas play items from water shutoff room to cleaning closet, cleaning closet items to windowless room?
 - Will need to buy shelves for new janitorial closet - \$
 - Need to double check with Anne Krause who possibly uses that room for Sunday School
 - Stuff will need to go elsewhere or be thrown out

Discuss Retreat agenda and any additional items.

- Will be 4/12 @ Heritage Hall from 12:30 to 3:30
- Prayer - led by Jana
- Check-In discussion - Pastor Nat
- Icebreaker ideas? Assigning to Brenda. She had mentioned she had ideas from work.
- Lona will drive truck that day in case we need to move the white board

Decision Items:

- Approve February Minutes: Jana motioned to approve. Cindy seconded. Discussion to correct a couple of blanks. Approved.
- Motion to approve February financial reports. Cindy motioned to approve. Jana seconded. Nat shared a discussion about construction funds. Motion passed.

Committee reports:

- Pastor's report:
 - Cemetery has received donation of \$83K
 - Will be out of town on April 19th. Will be officiating a wedding of best friend's daughter in Arkansas. Pastor Greg will be here in his place.
 - April 12th will be Confirmation Sunday - Students have been encouraged to give their faith statements.
 - April 5th is Easter. Maudy Thursday will be here. Good Friday will be at Methodist Church
 - Anne White & Nat have sent messages to lapsed members about archiving membership unless they reply to not.
- Additional committee reports (Kitchen, Pantry, Property):
 - Kitchen Report (Brenda)

- Cabinetry & Cupboards - Dave is meeting w/ alternate suppliers
- Waiting for bid for flooring to include fellowship hall
- Fundraising ideas will start once we know much is needed to raise
- Food Pantry
 - 4 Pillars of Revenue: 1. Slater Community, 2. Corporate Sponsors - 25 potential, 3. Grants - several avenues, Tami Staples is helping with that, 4. Other churches
 - Getting a logo for branding. Whitney Staples is working on an official pantry logo. Potentially will be made into an exterior sign.
- Property - no report
 - Question about when doors are expected? How are we paying
 - Monument sign out front - tracks for holding letters are worn out
 - No leaking in basement restrooms - roof repair seems to have worked
 - Fans - 3rd one is now working if it gets better reception
 - Doors/Monument - Jana will have Denny reach out to update.

Other Business:

- Reminder: Council serving Easter breakfast April 5th @ 8am
 - What is everyone bringing for food: NEED 5-7 BREAKFAST CASSEROLES
 - Brenda is bringing fruit
 - Nat is bringing Juice & Coffee
 - Cindy - Casserole & cinnamon rolls
 - Jana - Casserole & 2 doz. Cinnamon rolls
 - Lindsay - casserole x 2
 - Lona - casserole
 - Rose - casserole?
- Reminder: Council retreat on April 12
 - What are we doing for food?
 - Brenda - Casey's Pizzz
 - Cindy - Dessert
 - Nat - drinks
 - Jana - Salad
 - Lindsay - Chips
 - Rose - plates/napkins
 - Lona - ?
- March council member in service - Lindsay
- April meeting devotions - Cindy

Motion to Adjourn @ 6:05pm by Jana, seconded by Cindy, approved

Closing prayer

Notes taken by Lona on 3/19/2026
 Typed and submitted on 3/31/2026