

Living Word Lutheran Church Stewardship Committee

Minutes of October 9, 2012 meeting

The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 13, 2012

Present: Keith Anderson, Rocky Burgau, Maren Burgau, Kathie Lillehaugen, Jane Osterberg, Don Nelson

Absent: Pastor Kluver, Keith Redfield

Prayer to open the meeting.

1. The minutes of the September 11 meeting were approved.
2. Keith Anderson reported that he had audited the on Pastor's Discretionary Fund as required.
3. We find that the *Procedure for the Handling of Memorial Gifts* existed prior to my request that Kathie create one. Since it is in place with Council approval we shall go forward with that document. During a question about the placing of plaques on memorial gifts, which is answered in the *Procedure* we noticed that the permanent acknowledgement of such a gift is not otherwise covered. Maren agreed to query Pastor Beem about the wording for such an addition to the *Procedure*.
4. It was agreed that the committee would do the skit for a Temple Talk as soon as Pastor AJ can schedule it.
5. It was agreed that we will budget \$500 for miscellaneous expense and fix the Benevolence Budget at 13% of \$220,000 for 2013. The spread of the Benevolence Fund will be done at the November meeting.
6. Keith A. to request that the bulletin mention the upcoming Teen Challenge fund-raising dinner.
7. Our committee's recommendation is that the Equal Exchange Coffee Program be discontinued when the current inventory is liquidated and be revisited when we get into our own building. This item was raised in relation to the committee's responsibility to monitor all fund-raising efforts.
8. Don and Keith R. will review the committee budget requests and submit them to the Council.

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9. Maren will ask Gaylen about where church income is versus projection so we know how to adjust Benevolences and about Quarterly Reports.
10. The Covenant Church is planning to give their Thanksgiving Offering to LWLC for the Building Fund. We strongly recommend that a public acknowledgment of thanks (newspaper) be given asap after receipt of the donation. Furthermore, we recommend that the Thanksgiving Offering of LWLC for 2013 be likewise given to another Apostles Creed-proclaiming church for their building program.
11. Kathie and Jane have spoken to Mount Carmel about the possibility of an LWLC Christmas Dinner and report that a dinner would cost about \$15-16 and that the second Sunday in December is available. Don is to call Pastor AJ to get his thoughts and advise Kathie and Jane.

Prayer to close the meeting.

Submitted by Don Nelson, October 9, 2012