

ST. ANSGAR LUTHERAN CHURCH  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

The council meeting was called to order by President Chris Beckman at 5:30 pm. Betty Spence is responsible for Sunday lockup and Susan Logan is responsible for Monday lockup for the month of September. Alice Ward is responsible for the October Visitor "Reflections" article. Devotions were read by Pastor Alan Schulz.

Approval of August Council Minutes – Bob Reiter made a motion the August minutes be approved. Alice Ward seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of August Treasurer's Report – Jared Leonard made the motion that the August Treasurer's Report be approved. Susan Logan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Property – (1) Jared Leonard looked at and repaired (replaced with new kit) the downstairs urinal. (2) Bob Reiter hasn't had time to follow up on the outside light and cover. But will do so when he gets time. (3) One of the members of the congregation brought up the noise the air conditioner makes. It would cost at least \$2,500 to add vents. Because use of the air conditioner will be steadily going down it was decided to do nothing at this time.

Stewardship – Nothing to report.

Adult Education – Sunday Adult Bible Study will start up September 20<sup>th</sup> instead of the September 13 because of Neighborhood Cookout on the 13<sup>th</sup>.

WELCA – Nothing to report.

Men's Group – Nothing to report.

Worship – Nothing to report.

Youth – (1) Six youth were present at the first StARS meeting September 2<sup>nd</sup>. (2) Sunday School start up has been re-scheduled for September 20<sup>th</sup>.

Social Ministries – Nothing to report

Outreach – A neighborhood cookout (Meet The Neighbors) for the God's Work, Our Hands event will be held Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. It will be held in the church parking lot from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm. Hot dogs, chips and drinks will be served. Chris Beckman will supply the food and Linda Held and StARS students will be responsible for drinks. Donna Eisenbacher will make up 160 flyers to be distributed through the neighborhood inviting people to attend the event. Susan Logan, Chris Beckman and Donna Eisenbacher will divide up the neighborhood and distribute the flyers on Saturday afternoon.

Pastor's Report – (1) Upcoming Events: September 12<sup>th</sup> -Pastor Al will be attending the synod's Fall Leadership event; September 20<sup>th</sup> – Narrated Service; October 10<sup>th</sup> – Healing Service; October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> – UNI Lock In. Volunteers are needed to chaperon and possibly spend the night with the youth. Chris Beckman volunteered to transport youth to UNI and said he would check to see if he would be available to spend the night on Friday; October 24<sup>th</sup> Men in Ministry "Building Men for Christ Workshop" in Dewar, Iowa.

New Business – (1) Call Committee – Next meeting will be Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. The committee needs to produce a Pastor's Job Description. A committee called the Strategic Planning Committee will meet Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm to create a five year plan of where the church wants to go and accomplish. The committee consists of Chris Beckman, Linda Held and Cindie Shepard. The Strategic Planning Committee will present the results to the Call Committee. (2) There still have no results in the search for volunteers to set up a church Facebook page or a church website. Donna Eisenbacher will continue to place blurbs in the Bulletins and Visitor.

New Business continued - (2) Nominating Committee - Five new council members are needed starting in January 2016. Linda Held, Betty Spence, Bob Reiter will retire from their terms and Alice Ward has opted to not do a second term. Susan Logan will fill out her second term. Betty Spence and Chris Beckman have volunteered to be members of the Nominating Committee. Prospective council members will be voted on during the November 15th Fall Congregational Meeting. (2) Church Office Copier: Betty Spence reported that the lease for the copier is up for renewal. The lease can be renewed at the same cost with a newer copier, printer and scanner machine in place of the old machine. Alice Ward made a motion we accept the new lease terms. Cindie Shepard seconded the motion. Motion carried. (3) It was asked about the semi cab that had been parked in the church parking lot. Pastor Al said he had given the owner permission to park there.

Old Business - (1) Church room rental - It was discussed that a consistent rental contract be drawn up that would be fair and equal to all parties renting church rooms and that proof of insurance would be needed. Further discussion of the topic would be brought up at the November Congregational Meeting.

Close - Betty Spence moved to adjourn the meeting. Linda Held seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

\*\*\*Rosie Bruns was excused from the meeting.

*Respectively Submitted by Donna Eisenbacher, Church Secretary*