

**Christ the King Lutheran Church
Congregation Council Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2018**

Voting Members Present: Pastor Langknecht, Bill Hiatt, Leigh Chowdhary, Tom Cooper, Tom Kalka, Mitch Kiffe, Jeanne McKinley, Marie Petersen, Mark Spoto, Dick Wardian, and Steve Wilson.

Voting Members Absent: Allie Peters.

Call to Order: President Kiffe called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. with a quorum present.

Pastor Langknecht opened with prayer.

Approval of Minutes: A motion by Mark Spoto to accept the minutes of the January 15, 2018 Congregation Council meeting was seconded. **Motion carried.** (The minutes were emailed prior to the meeting.)

Pastor: Pastor Hank announced that the Metropolitan Washington, D.C. Synod Assembly will be held in Fairfax City, Virginia, on June 16, 2018. Christ the King will be able to send 3 delegates. It was suggested that Pastor ask for volunteers who are interested in attending.

Pastor mentioned that the "Letter of Call" does not indicate what should be the procedure if the Pastor needs to take additional Sundays off to attend activities such as continuing education, church trips, etc. Bill Hiatt suggested the "Call" document be reviewed by Bill Carbaugh concerning this matter.

The promotion of the "New Connections" campaign will be planned around Sundays that traditionally have increased attendance starting in the fall. An effort will be made for Karen Utter to make sure all activities are included in the Sunday announcement supplement.

Mark Knauff of Thrivent Financial will be contacted by Pastor to visit Christ the King to explain the program and how the church may benefit from the organization. (Pastor's report was emailed before the meeting).

President: President Kiffe has contacted, via email, the Internal Audit Committee that consists of David Whelan, Tom Whitlow, and Phil Gaudiano to review the Memorandum of Understanding the church has with the King's Kids Preschool.

Treasurer: Reports were emailed before the meeting. Bill Hiatt alerted the need for an audit of the finances, as one has not been done in two years, by the Internal Audit Committee. President Kiffe will notify the committee of this task.

Property: Kathleen Foley has requested permission to erect a shed on church property to house equipment for the Scouts who regularly meet at the church. President Kiffe asked Tom Cooper to find out the size of the shed, what will be stored in it, and which troops will use it and maintain it. The council will then reopen the discussion.

Stewardship: Tom Kalka said that before the members of the church are asked to fill out a Time and Talent Survey that they should know more about the committees. He requested that all committee chairs give a brief Temple Talk to explain the purpose of their committee, what gifts and talents are needed to be a member, and give testimony about your experiences. He organized an online signup sheet for committee chairs to indicate at which service they will give their presentation.

Congregation Life: Jeanne McKinley announced that Pastor Hank will attend Stephen Leader Training in Pittsburgh in August. President Kiffe explained that the role Congregational Life Committee in reference to the Sunday Nursery program will be to monitor the usage to determine how important it is to have this service available. The evaluation of the staff will be under the Staff Relations Committee.

Learning: Leigh Chowdhary thanked Ms. Andrea Delvaux for her service to the King's Kids Program as she moves to Dubai. Vacation Bible School will be held this summer under the leadership of Antonio Siebert.

Witness: Allie Peters, via email, indicated that the youth may be interested in sponsoring the 4th of July activities at the church instead of the Witness Committee. She will bring the matter up with her committee. Imposing ashes outside of Katie's Coffee House on Ash Wednesday was supported by the council. The participation in the "New Connections" campaign should result in the creation of outreach programs to bring more people into the church.

Finance: Dick Wardian reported that the Finance Committee will be meeting to review the church's and Kings Kids' insurance policies.

Unfinished Business: A motion by Tom Kalka to approve the participation of Christ the King Church in the "New Connections" church membership growth and financial campaign of the Metropolitan Washington, D.C. Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America was seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Important Dates:

March 19, 2018 next Congregation Council Meeting

Adjournment: A motion by Bill Hiatt to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. was seconded. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Petersen
Congregation Council Secretary

Approved