

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**Council Meeting**  
**Minutes of September 1, 2009**  
*Abbreviated*  
*(Full minutes are available in the church office)*

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Location:** St. Paul's Parish Hall

**In Attendance:** Jerry Frankenfield, Pastor Rod Ronneberg, Pastor Cathy Ammlung, Diane Winn, Paul Clark, Ken Christie, John Lang, Tanya Hoegh-Allan, Debbie Cowell, Tony Meoni, Donna Frederick, Ricky Frederick, Mike Heyser, John Murphy, Randy Arndt

The meeting was called to order by Council President Jerry Frankenfield,

Pastor Cathy offered readings from Matthew 28:18-20 (The Great Commission) and the writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

Pastor Rod led a continuation of August's study of the Lutheran approach to Jesus' Great Commission, and prayed with council members for wisdom and guidance during the coming time of turmoil within the ELCA.

***Old Business***

- A. The minutes of the August 4, 2009 council meeting were approved as written.
- B. Stewardship Key Leaders
  - a. Jerry Frankenfield reported on the August 26, 2009 planning meeting with Stewardship Key Leaders (SKL) representative Pastor Soli.
  - b. Donna Frederick emphasized the need for leaders for several committees within the SKL program, which is scheduled to commence at the end of October.
  - c. Jerry Frankenfield thanked Diane Winn for her work in designing the St. Paul's "Come Grow With Us" logo.
  - d. Pastor Rod suggested the purchase of a large sign, showing the new logo, to be placed at the front of the church.
    - i. Diane Winn will get a price quote from Kinkos.
    - ii. Randy Arndt volunteered to get a price quote from Betty Kerwin.
    - iii. Randy will also get a price quote from Sandy August for a banner to be used in the church building.
- C. Financial Outlook
  - a. John Lang reported that August was another good month for St. Paul's.
  - b. Ken Christie noted that the new mortgage payment.
  - c. Randy Arndt suggested that we consider using some Memorial Fund money to assist in buying down our debt.
- D. Water/Sewer Project
- E. Jerry Frankenfield gave a short report on the Community Meeting of August 18, 2009.
  - a. Several area homeowners and St. Paul's parishioners attended.
  - b. No objections to St. Paul's plans were heard.

- F. Jerry Frankenfield pointed out that a chairman for the Evangelism Committee is still needed.
- G. Diane Winn is preparing a list of suggested names for the Hardison property to be voted on at the November Congregational Meeting.

***New Business***

- A. Jerry Frankenfield stated that the use of restricted account funds to pay operating expenses is unethical.
  - a. Jerry is working on a priority list and procedure so that the treasurer can use the available operating funds to best effect, leaving other bills unpaid until money becomes available.
- B. A discussion followed regarding the effect that designated contributions (i.e. Vacation Bible School) should have on budget totals.
  - a. Jerry will contact Morris Sampson to ascertain the proper procedure.
- C. Jerry plans to attend a Youth and Family event in the future to gather youth-related proposals to be presented at the Congregational Meeting in November.
- D. The Semi-annual Business Meeting will be held at 9:45 a.m. on November 15, 2009.
- E. The 2010 budget will be discussed at the October Church Council Meeting.
  - a. Donna Frederick requested that proposed budgetary figures be provided to her before that meeting so she can include them in a spreadsheet.

***Pastoral Reports***

Pastor Rod Ronneberg, Senior Pastor- See written report

The CORE organization (Coalition for Reform) was discussed.

Pastor Cathy Ammlung, Associate Pastor- See written report

A Church Council member is needed to address the confirmation class.

***Committee Reports***

Committee Reports will be available in church office

The next Church Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 6, 2009.  
The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Pastor Rod at 9:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul Clark  
Council Secretary

Abbreviated by  
Anthony Meoni  
Communication Chair