

Hawley Lutheran Church
Vision Council Minutes
Tuesday August 15, 2023, 6:00pm

Call to Order: President Katie Lowry

Present: Mark Redepenning, Laurie Boeshans, Jane Eklund, Cindy Byklum, Katie Lowry, Josh Sabler, and Josh Prosocki

Absent: Gerry Kluck, Chelsea Anderson, and Pastor Andrea

Opening Prayer: Josh Sabler

Approval of Agenda: Mark made a motion to approve the July agenda, seconded by Laurie. Katie motioned to add an agenda item, Budget/Timeline. Approved by Cindy and seconded by Jane.

Approval of July Minutes: Cindy made a motion to approve the July minutes, seconded by Josh S.

Finance Report: Josh Prosocki

- Revenue for the month of July \$27,554.49; Monthly Expenses \$36,933.25; Net -\$9,378.76; Checking Balance \$50,310.15; FTV \$71,532.57; Memorials \$120,807.97; Loans \$99,470.90. YTD Revenue \$238,618.42; YTD Expenses \$270,516.10; YTD Net -\$31,897.68
 - Increase in expenses- Mission trip approximately \$6,000 on credit card, there were also gas cards, t-shirts etc. – Josh will total all mission trip receipts and follow up with council
- Parish Ed checkbook is closed

Open Forum/Guest: None

1) Old Business:

- a. Budget/Timeline
 - i. Katie discussed how we have done budgeting in the past
 - ii. Email/meet with teams regarding 2024 budget, needs and wants
 - iii. Goal for council to meet on October 15th at 4:30pm to discuss budget in detail. We will have a potluck.
 - iv. Goal to get congregations yes vote on the draft budget by November
- b. Rally Day Planning – Finalize
 - i. Chili cookoff- use sign up genius (20 would be a good #)
 1. Prizes
 - ii. Council to provide all the chili fixings – Laurie is going to clarify w/ Pastor Andrea
 1. Cheese, sour cream, onions, Fritos, French bread
 - iii. Root beer floats or something else
 - iv. Encourage all congregation to come to Rally Day on Sunday (Sunday and Wednesday worshipers)
 - v. Pastor Andrea posted a FaceBook post
 1. Announcement was done at church
 2. Post card/schedule will be mailed
 - vi. Laurie B, Jane E and Pastor Andrea will facilitate “Ministry Fair”

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1. Initial letter was sent out to each team and was due back on Sunday, August 20th (looking for a contact person, provide card table for their space, can put out treats or anything they would like)
2. Put together a guide outlining the “tables”
3. Set up in the entry area and far side of the fellowship hall
4. Have post it's available to jot down what you love about Hawley Lutheran
5. Council Table- who from council
- vii. The Now team will be launching their campaign
 1. Pledge cards
- c. Call Team Update
 - i. Initial kick off meeting Tuesday, July 25th 6:00 pm
 - ii. Meeting every 2 weeks
 - iii. Jana is the Vision Call team chair
 - iv. Putting a ministry needs assessment and a position summary together
 - v. Pray about budget
- d. 125th Anniversary Planning- October 29th, 2023
 - i. Worship team met and this was on their agenda and will continue to do the planning
 - ii. Reformation Sunday and Confirmation are also this day
 - iii. Meal/Cake or cupcakes
- e. Internet Provider- No update. Laurie motioned to table pending staff update, seconded by Mark

2) New Business:

- a. Fall Schedule/Pastor Andrea- Cindy motioned to move to next month's meeting, Laurie seconded.
- b. WMSTR- 12 spots to fill (Saturday afternoon and Sunday)
- c. Council Retreat Continuation-
 - i. Communication – August
 1. Katie motioned to move to next month's meeting, Jane seconded.
- d. Team Reports if applicable- team assignments.
 - i. Property- Gerry absent
 - ii. Out Reach- no update
 - iii. Christian Ed- no update
 - iv. Worship- update above under 125th Anniversary
 - v. Personnel- no update
 - vi. Now is the Time- Under Rally Day

3) Staff Report

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- i. Pastor Andrea- absent

4) Dates To Remember:

- a. WMSTR- 9/1 – 9/4
- b. September Council Meeting 9/19
- c. Rally Day- 9/10
- d. Fall Retreat meeting w/ Calvary- 10/6
- e. 125th Anniversary 10/29
- f. Pastor Darwin Appreciation- TBD

5) Adjournment – Motion made by Cindy and seconded by Dylan

6) Closing Prayer