
TRUCKEE LUTHERAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Council/Session Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2008

Call to Order:

Council/Session Meeting was called to order at: 6:58 PM

In Attendance: Jeff Rogers, Marian Silva, Edie Lott, Bob Richards, Mary Ellen Costa, Ed Hilton, Lori Breuch

Quorum Present: The President declared that a quorum was present.

Devotions: Lori Breuch presented the devotions.

Next Meeting: November 10, 2008

To Be Held At: The Costa's

Devotions to be presented by: Marian Silva

Administration / Communications / Announcements

1. Approval of September Council/Session Meeting minutes: The minutes were approved as written
2. September 2008 Reports:

A) **Pastor's Report** – Ed Hilton

-Ed shared his excitement that we are an officially chartered church. This is an event that many churches never get to experience. Thanks to all of those that helped to make this happen for our church. The list includes Edie and Denny Lott, Lis Green, Kaw Prairie Community Church in Kansas (they allowed us to use their constitution as the basis for ours, so we did not have to start from scratch.)

-Ed continues to receive letters and e-mails from pastors that have visited our church sharing their observance that our church is an incredibly friendly and welcoming congregation.

-Ed continues to be involved with YoungLife and Wyldlife. Wyldlife just started this fall and is off to a good start. They meet every other Friday at Veteran's Hall.

-Our parish associate Pastor Scott Trevithick's father passed away last week. We offer our condolences to Scott and his family.

-Scott was planning on attending tonight to discuss the role of a parish associate. Because of the death of his father, Scott was unable to attend tonight. He will attend a council meeting soon.

-Ed is still involved in the election of new school board member. He is supporting two candidates who are running for the board, Lisa Mohun and Kirsten Livak.

-Ed is still chaplain at the hospital a week out of every month.

B) **Acknowledgment of Submitted Reports**

-As an addition to Edie's report: Edie and Denny Lott will be representing the faith based community and their role in the Truckee Tahoe Community Collaborative on Election Day at the Town Hall from 10 AM to 12 PM.

-Marian received a bid from Olan Mills on the cost of adding pages (in color) to our directory. Edie brought the question forward that we authorize up to \$400 if needed to add ministry and outreach pages to our directory. The motion carried.

- The president thanks all for submitting their reports.

3. Attendance:

2008 September Attendance:	*291 (+ 108 in attendance at chartering service)
2007 September Attendance:	269
2008 Average per week:	72
2007 Average per week:	67
2008 Year to Date Total:	2520
2007 Year to Date Total:	2437

4. Financial Report (September 2008):

Income	\$8,891	YTD Income	\$88,748
Expense	(\$9,481)	YTD Expense	(\$84,957)
Difference	(\$590)	YTD Difference	\$3,791

-Ed raised the question that we submit a check for \$600 to YoungLife now as pledged to cover our pledge for this year and next year to submit our a biannual pledge of the budgeted amount with the timing at the discretion of our CFO. The motion carried.

Unfinished Business

1. Update on Computer Program (Icon CMO) - (Edie Lott) Lis asked Edie to be the co-database manager. The member database is loaded. We are ready to load the financial data. It makes sense to load the financial data at the beginning of our new year. Jeff Rogers will follow up with Jeff Hatch and Lynn Rogers to discuss the conversion of our financial data to this database. Edie will send out another e-mail with our current directory attached for those who like to print it off. Edie will follow up with Jay on changing the logon number.
2. Nominating Committee discussion (Jeff Rogers) – There will be two open spots; Bob Okano’s (1 year) and Lori Breuch (2 years). Bob Richards, Edie Lott and Jeff Rogers have agreed to stay on the council. Jeff will notify the nominating committee that they are active and have 2 seats to fill.
3. Hume Lake discussion (Ed Hilton)
 - We have some other options available for our youth through YoungLife and Wyldlife. The Wyldlife camp takes place in San Diego.
 - We discussed some ideas for camp or other experiences for our kids this year. It could be an ELCA or Presbyterian Youth gathering or a local camping trip.
 - Lori agreed to compose a letter that will be e-mailed to our “together” list asking for input from the congregation on their intentions for our youth this summer. We will ask for commitments by January for camp attendance.
4. Sound System update (Jeff Rogers) – The system has been moved to the back of the church. These improvements remained under budget. Jeff and Ryan are looking into a microphone that Ed will wear during the service. Our “sound guys” are happy with having the system in the back, and feel that they are better able to hear and make adjustments to the sound levels.
5. Stewardship and Simply Giving update (Jeff Rogers for Lynn Rogers)

Our stewardship season will begin in November. This will consist of some temple talks that also include the commitment of time and talent. They are continuing to evaluate our options with Simply Giving through Thrivent.
6. Budget – we will begin discussions of our new budget at our November meeting.

New Business

1. Alternative Christmas Faire: \$100.00 for fliers (Edie Lott) –
 - This will come from our "Local Projects" budget.
 - The faire will take place on 11/22 from 1-5 PM and 11/23 from 11AM – 3PM
2. Increase in Monthly rent due to departure of River Rock (Bob Richards)
 - Bob is in the process of determining how this will affect our costs since we are splitting many costs with River Rock.

Public Announcements / Comments

Closing Prayer

The meeting was adjourned at: 9:11 PM