

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes: April 8, 2008, 7:15 p.m. –9:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Chairman, Scott Miller. Twelve council members and one staff member were present.

Minutes of the March 11, 2008 meeting were approved as written. The March 31, 2008 Treasurer's Report was reviewed and noted that the Delker Bequest should be corrected to read; "\$57,603.15 as of 02/12/08 @ 3.9%". The Maturity amount of ORL's loan is \$167,662.55 on June 25, 2008. The Finance Committee is in charge of making recommendations for refinancing the loan at the May council meeting. Monte moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as noted, Tom seconded, motion carried.

~Staff Reports:

-Pastor thanked everyone for all the support during his illness. He also thanked council members that are retiring on May 1, 2008.

-Scott reported that substitute preachers are scheduled through April.

~Commission Reports:

-Worship Commission submitted a written report for the consensus agenda. A copy is filed with the minutes.

~Unfinished Business

-The proposed budget for FY 08-09 was submitted for review. The FY 08-09 home budget totals \$351,265 and the total work program is \$386,265. Monte moved that we adopt the FY 2008 – 2009 Work Program, motion seconded by Tom, motion carried.

-The Benevolences were reviewed; \$500 for the Children's Emergency Center was added and the Kids "Now" program was removed. The Benevolences budget totaled \$11,500. Ken moved we adopt the Benevolences as noted, Jim seconded, motion carried.

-Tom Stanton, Education Building Fund Raising team member, reported that the committee would meet April 17. An informational letter is being prepared for mailing to assure that all members are aware of the building program.

~New Business

-Monte presented a Thrivent program called Simply Giving, which offers people who wish to have offerings transferred electronically to their church's account. Tom moved that the process necessary for the Simply

Giving program be started with Thrivent with the new Stewardship person involved in planning the start date for electronic giving, Tim seconded, motion carried.

-David, Property Board Chairman, advised that he had been in contact with the city regarding the Drainage Improvement Project on 12th street that will begin approximately 4/21/08. He noted that one driveway into the church is to remain open at all times during the construction.

-It was duly noted that a description of gifts made anonymously must be presented to the council prior to installation, etc.

~Calendarizing

-OD for April 13 is Ken Kelley

-OD for April 20 is Sherrie

-Annual Congregational Meeting – April 27, 2008, 9:45 AM

-OD for May 25 is Ken Krusemark

The meeting closed with prayer.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Sherrie Bohlen

Goal #1: Increase ORL by 100 new members as defined by the constitution. (3-year goal)
Current Status? _____

Goal #2: Increase involvement of 100 current members.
(1-year goal)
Current Status? _____

