

# First Lutheran Church Foundation Minutes

## September 27, 2018

**Attendees:** Larry Audette, Loren Stahl, John Vastag, Janie Olson, Sandy Korbel, Susan Brudvik Gary Hanson, Corey Bjertness, John Holmen and Missy Froeber

I. **Call to Order:** Larry Audette called the meeting to order.

II. **Devotion/Prayer:** Pastor Corey Bjertness

III. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the Foundation's meeting held 7/19/2018 were reviewed. Loren Stahl motioned to accept the minutes. John Vastag seconded. Motion approved.

V. **Financial Reports:** Gary Hanson reviewed the Financials. The landscape form will stay the same for the rest of the year. \$10,000 in the Distribution Summary was moved to the education mission category for Slovakia and on the Financial Statement the Mineral Interest Royalty was split out as a separate item due to a request from the auditors. Dustin will be at the October meeting. Loren Stahl motioned to approve the financial statements. Susan Brudvik seconded. Motion approved.

### VI. Old Business:

- a. **Incoming Board Members and Officer Elections:** Larry explained that after research, all candidates for the Foundation must be submitted to the Nominating Committee to be put on the Ballot at the Annual Meeting for the congregation to vote and approve. Also, directors are elected for a term of three years or until their successors have been elected and qualified at the annual meeting of FLC. The Foundation must elect officers in the role of president/chair, secretary and treasurer each year. John motioned to accept the current officers of Larry Audette for Chair and Loren Stahl for Secretary/Treasurer. Janie Olson seconded. Motion approved. Larry Audette appointed Sandy Korbel to be vice chair for the October 18<sup>th</sup> meeting as he will be gone. The agenda and any requests that come should be sent to Sandy.
- b. **Foundation Life Insurance Policies:** Loren Stahl got copies to Gary Hanson at the meeting today. Gary and John Holmen will review. This issue is carried forward to the October meeting.
- c. **Tabled grant Requests:**
  - a. Bridgepoint Community Church – has a request for \$1,000 to paint their community food pantry. John Vastag motioned to deny the request based on the lack of information and contact with anyone from Bridgepoint. Janie Olson seconded. Motion approved to deny the request..
  - b. Fields of Faith – has a request for \$1500 for their fall rally. Loren Stahl motioned to approve the request. Janie Olson seconded. Motion approved.
  - c. HERO – has a request for \$4,000 for the purchase of an equipment washer. Loren Stahl motioned to approve. Janie Olson seconded. Motion approved.
  - d. Young Life Fargo Moorhead – has a request for \$6,775 to establish a camper scholarship fund. Loren made a motion to approve \$2500 for camper fees, not to be used for transportation costs. Sandy Korbel seconded. Motion approved for \$2500 for camper fees, not to be used for transportation.

### V. New Grant Requests:

- a. **Churches United:** A request was made for \$14,645 to replenish their funds spent on a rooftop HVAC. In light of the fact that there are many requests to grant his month, Sandy Korbel motioned to grant the request in the amount of \$10,000. Susan Brudvik seconded. Motioned approved the amount of \$10,000.

- b. **First Lutheran Church – EaNDSynod Youth Gathering:** A request was made Meggie Bjertness in the amount of \$3960 to cover the cost 20 middle school and 20 high school students to attend the EaND Synod Youth Gathering. Loren Stahl motioned to approve the request in the amount of \$3960. John Vastag seconded. Motion approved in the amount of \$3960.
- c. **Operation Christmas Child:** A request was made in the amount of \$5,000 to start a self-funding account to cover the cost of the Christmas child boxes. Sandy Korbel motioned to approve the request of \$5,000. Susan Brudvik seconded. Motion approved in the amount of \$5,000.
- d. **Lutheran Social Services:** A request was made in the amount of \$8,912.50 to cover the cost of re-printing the 1920 something cookbook put out by the Women of First Lutheran Church. The cookbooks will be sold by LLS as a fundraiser. John Vastag moved to deny the request. Motion died for lack of second. Sandy Korbel motioned to fund \$2527.50, half the cost of printing 500, on the condition that funds will not be used unless specifically for this project. Janie Olson seconded. Motion approved in the amount of \$2527.50 with funds to be used only for this project.
- e. **Feed My Starving Children:** A request was made by Pastor Laurie in the amount of \$7,500 to cover the cost of 300 volunteers working a 2 hour shift. Matching funds have been approved by the Global Missions Committee. Loren Stahl motioned to approve the amount of \$7,500. John Vastag seconded. Motion approved for the amount of \$7,500.
- f. **Lake Agassiz Habitat for Humanity:** A request was made for \$5,000 to be used as a matching fund for Give To The Max Day to help fund 3-2018 homes. Loren Stahl motioned to approve \$5,000 to be used for building supplies. Janie Olson seconded. Motion approved in the amount of \$5,000 to be used for building supplies.
- g. **Impact Foundation/Fargo United:** A request was made in the amount of \$5,000 for funds to be used to help with Fargo school events and programs. Loren Stahl motioned to approve \$4,500 in funds. Susan Brudvik seconded. Motion approved in the amount of \$4,500.

*NOTE: Larry will check with the Impact Foundation to see how the check should be issued.*

## VII. Reports

- a. **President’s report:** Larry Audette passed around thank yous as well as invitations to attend events for the Fargo Public Schools and Unseen.
- b. **Giving Consultant’s report:** John Holmen met with several people on will planning and including the church in that planning.
- c. **Senior Pastor’s Report:** Missy Froeber reported on the success of First Fest, the Chapel dedication and the new nursery.
- d. **Council Report:** Loren Stahl reported that even with the rain we are on target with the build. The budget was approved at the annual meeting.

VIII. **Adjourn** - Susan Brudvik motioned to adjourn. Loren Stahl seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

**Upcoming Meeting Schedule:**  
**The Next meeting will be October 18**

**Respectfully submitted by:**

**Missy Froeber**  
**Executive Assistant to the Senior Pastor**

### Board Member Terms

#### First Terms:

Susan Brudvik – FY 2018, 19, 20  
 Lindsey Little – FY 2018, 19, 20  
 Chris Kennelly – FY 2019, 20, 21

#### Second Terms:

Larry Audette – FY 2017, 18, 19  
 Janie Olson – FY 2017, 18, 19  
 Loren Stahl – FY 2017, 18, 19  
 Sandy Korbel – FY 2018, 19, 20  
 Mark Hanson – FY 2019, 20, 21  
 John Vastag – FY 2019, 20, 21