

First Lutheran Church
Annual Meeting - Minutes
Sunday, August 6, 2017
12:30 p.m.

President Gary Inman called the annual meeting to order and asked those in attendance to join him in reciting the FLC Mission Statement: "Our mission at First Lutheran Church is to bring people into a relationship with Jesus Christ and to help them grow in the Christian faith."

Pastor Corey Bjertness opened the meeting with a devotional prayer and those in attendance sang, "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee."

Approval of Minutes:

Larry Wild motioned for acceptance of the 2017 Annual Meeting minutes, with a second by David Ferreira. Motion carried.

Elections:

President Inman introduced the current Council Members and the 2017 candidates for FLC Council, Nominating Committee and the Foundation Board. President Inman called for nominations from the floor. No additional names were presented. Ballots were cast.

Council members Sindy Keller and Chris Kraemer tabulated the results. There were 131 registered to vote. Voting results are as follows:

New Council Members for terms beginning July 2017: Kathy Helming and Loren Stahl to serve second terms.

New Nominating Committee Members for 2017-2018: Brian Halverson and Mavis Bennett

New Foundation Board members for 2017-2020: Lindsey Oswald and Susan Brudvik

Reports:

President Inman directed the meeting attendees to the Annual Meeting booklet for written reports from the Committees.

Jon Aarsvold reviewed the Foundation Report. He recognized the efforts of the Foundation Board members and the congregational support for continued financial giving to support the many outreach and service programs. The 2018 projected budget was provided.

FLC Staff Report:

Pastor Corey expressed his gratitude to the staff and congregation in this year of new experiences and change for the future. New staff members have been hired into the following positions:

- Pastor Dave Adams, Worship and Music Pastor
- Missy Froeber, Executive Assistant to the Sr. Pastor
- Wendy Scholl, Receptionist
- Danelle Kjar, Financial Manager
- Erik Carlson, Sr. High Student Life Coach
- Eric Dybing, Marketing Manager

Pastor Corey shared that since 2011 we have been operating at a 65% staffing level compared to other congregations our size. Thanks to an anonymous donor, funding for necessary staff for current and future needs with the building project is now a reality.

Additional updates were presented related to Membership and attendance, life events and other activities across the FLC footprint. Pastor Corey shared the results of a secret shopper he hired to come to church on a Sunday. They were welcomed 5 times before they made it into church!

Financial Report: Daniel Damico, Administrator, expressed his gratitude to the staff, pastors, committees and the congregation. Daniel reviewed the 2016/2017 financial report. He then presented the 2017/2018 budget for approval. Daniel called for any questions from the audience about the financial report and budget. No questions were raised.

Ben Bjertness motioned to approve the 2017/2018 budget. Evelyn Quigley seconded. Motion carried.

FLC Council President's Report: President Inman's report reflected on the church accomplishments as guided by our mission and vision. He recognized that we have phenomenal pastors and staff that do amazing work and for them we are very grateful. Now as the church begins a new chapter President Inman emphasized the importance of coming together in support of our entire church to meet the challenges ahead in fulfilling our mission.

New Business:

Capital Campaign Update: The results of the Capital Campaign presented to the attendees stands at \$13,154,571. Pastor Corey shared that next steps include building out the plan with a goal to break ground late spring. Terry Yoney will serve as the Owners Representative in managing relationships with contractors.

Pastor Corey Bjertness led the sending prayer. "Be Thou My Vision" was the closing hymn.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Helming, Secretary