

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd
Vision Council Meeting Minutes
April 24, 2023

Present: Pastor Dave Mesner, Jess Kramer, Lauren Nyenhuis, Tim Kreft, Dave Larsen, Sara Hendrickson, Cole Peterson, Seth Loeffler-Kemp, Cyndi Venberg

Not Present: Karen Pagel-Guerndt

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

Devotions – Sara Hendrickson

Approve Minutes for [3-13-23](#)

Dave Larsen motioned to approve; Seth Loeffler Kemp seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

All Are Welcome Presentation (Eric Kaiser)

- The task force believes we will be ready for a congregational vote in September to become an RIC congregation.
- Strategies were suggested to work with the congregation and outside of the congregation to start working on this topic.
- Emphasis was that the Reconciling in Christ (RIC) process is a journey, not a destination.
- VC member suggested that being clear about the history of LCGS and what was determined in 2009 is important, because not every current member in our congregation was involved at that time.

Treasurer Report- March

Dave Larsen reviewed the March Financial Statement. Cyndi Venberg motioned to approve March financials; Sara Hendrickson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Liaison Reports:

- Experiencing God LT: Seth Loeffler-Kemp, meeting with Debbie Sanders soon
- Reaching Out LT: Cyndi Venberg, working on completing a list of groups with contacts & making a bulletin board
- Nurturing Faith LT: Jess Kramer, Lauren Nyenhuis, Tim Kreft, have not met; working on the start of a community garden
- Resource Development: Cole Peterson, Dave Larsen, and Karen Pagel Guerndt
- Endowment Fund Board: Lauren Nyenhuis, Sara Hendrickson; 4:30 on June 21 is next meeting

Upcoming New Member Class

- Pastor Dave reported that a new member class will start in June. The last new member class of 19 was in November.

Other- Open Discussion

- Snow removal as it relates to the parking lot and sidewalks will go through the Property Committee.
- We want to be prepared for the fall/winter.

Future Vision Council meetings:

- Monday, May 15, 6:30; Tim Kreft- devotions
- Monday, June 26, 6:30; Seth Loeffler-Kemp- devotions
- Monday, July 31, 6:30; Lauren Nyenhuis- devotions
- Monday, August 21, 6:30; Cole Peterson- devotions

Vision Council adjourned with Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted by Jess Kramer, Secretary, LCGS Vision Council