

November 11, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Community of Christ Church Council

Time: 6:30pm – 8:45pm

Attendees: Anke Brandstater, Denise DeMarre, Cindy Kinnie, Suze Engbretson, Mark Henderson, Rachael Jans, Tracy Litterer, Violet Thetford and Larry Wade.

Excused: Pastor David Eppelsheimer

Guests: Rhonda Eppelsheimer & Chris Radford

Call to Order

Denise DeMarre, Council President, formally called the meeting to order.

Opening prayer & Biblical Work

Pastor David prerecorded a biblical message for the council on Romans 5:2. He offered the words "bifocal vision" to illustrate that we should see the world as it is and as God meant it to be. We discussed the differences between the two worlds, and how we can continue our work to become more aligned with God's vision. With the current political movements, are we seeing hope or further division?

Approval of Minutes

October 28, 2020 meeting minutes were approved.

New Motions / Voting

Advent breakfast:

This year the annual Advent breakfast will take place online Saturday, December 5th. The event will be open to everyone; not just the WINGS (Women IN God's Service) group, as in previous years.

Overview of the event:

We are going to make an advent wreath centerpiece, share cookie and brunch recipes, have an advent devotion that goes along with the wreath assembly and sing Karaoke carols.

Denise DeMarre made a motion to approve funding for the Advent breakfast kits. Mark Henderson seconded the motion.

The council moves to approve funding for the advent kits for our community in the range of \$500-\$1,000. The motion passed unanimously.

Auto-tune software (Melodyne):

The Worship team requested funding for the purchase of an auto-tune software program to assist with on-line coordination of music assembly and creation. The cost of the program is \$849.

Cindy Kinnie made a motion that the church pay the full cost of the Melodyne software requested. Violet Thetford seconded the motion.

The council moves to approve funding of the Melodyne 5 software program to assist with the music and worship team performance in the amount of \$849. The motion passed unanimously.

Congregational letter draft by Pastor David

The letter encompasses the spirit of the discussion at Council meetings. Minor edits were suggested. Rachael Jans will coordinate possible edits with Pastor David. Rachael will oversee that the mailing is sent out the week of November 16, 2020.

Administrator's report

Rachael Jans submitted an Administrator's report prior to the meeting, outlining special projects she is working on. Most projects are supporting Council's work, Faith News and community news PowerPoint creation.

Treasurer's report

Rich Radford submitted a Treasurer report prior to the meeting, and it was accepted with gratitude.

Listening season

General discussion was held on what we hope to glean from the upcoming listening season. A few specific questions should be asked of everyone, but generally we want the conversations to unfold naturally. The Council agrees the congregation members should be made aware that their specific concerns or issues will NOT be discussed with the Council at large.

It is hoped that a few of the calls will be made before the next meeting.

Upcoming Meetings:

Executive Team meeting: Tuesday 12/1/20 @ 6pm

Council meeting: Wednesday 12/2/2020 & 12/16/2020 @ 6:30pm

Adjournment

Denise DeMarre, Council President, formally adjourned the meeting.