

VALHALLA LUTHERAN CHURCH
ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – Part 1
November 23, 2020

Attendance:

Ann Friesen, Dennis Friesen, Anne Harpe, Chris Kochendorfer, Doug Kochendorfer, Jolene Kochendorfer, Cindy Mumert, Steve Mumert, Les Obst, Shirley Skaksen, Tyler Vig, Rita Sawchuk, Scott Wells, Aron Hanson, Darcy Albers, Eleanor Kochendorfer, Alvin Stedel, Roxy Vig

Dennis called the meeting to order at 7:38 pm.

Student Pastor Darcy opened with a blessing.

Rita read the minutes from the February 24 2020 Congregational Meeting Part 2. **Chris MOVED** that the minutes be adopted as read. Eleanor SE CONDED the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Amendments to the NALC constitution:

Student Pastor Darcy did an overview of the motions that were made & passed at the convention – as a congregation we need to vote to ratify them. The changes included allowing more lay people per church & instead of meeting annually it was proposing to meet biannually. **Alvin made a motion** that we pass both recommendations of both NALC amendments. Anne seconded. All in favor. Carried.

Nominating Committee Report (see attachment):

Eleanor moved that the people listed as having accepted positions on Council be approved as presented. Tyler SECONDED the motion. All in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Congregation chair person: Dennis Friesen

Congregation Vice-chairperson: Les Obst

Secretary: Rita Sawchuk

Treasurer/Financial secretary: Roxy Vig

Deacons: Alvin Stedel, Chris Kochendorfer, Steve Mumert

Trustees: James Skaksen, Aron Hanson, Scott Wells

Parish Education: Cindy Mumert, Jolene Kochendorfer, Anne Friesen

Head Usher: Roger Stedel

Cemetery Committee: Morris Tofteland (permanent), Walter Nordhagen, Greg Kjemhus, Lorne Flaten

Internship Committee:

(Steve Mumert, Joanne Loberg, Chris Kochendorfer, Ann Friesen, Doug Kochendorfer, Dennis Friesen)

Not a lot to report at this time – things have been going well.

Steve explained the purpose of this committee is to provide support & feedback to our intern pastor & they were having a meeting this week to complete his midterm evaluation.

Treasurer's Report and Proposed Operational Budget for 2021 (see attachments):

Roxy presented the most recent *Balance Sheet* and *Profit & Loss Budget Performance* information as prepared by Roxy. Current bank balances are as follows:

- Community Spirit Account - \$40,162.70
- Community Spirit Elevator Account - \$2,954.23
- T-Bill Savings Account - \$24,714.02
- Investment 2 (Ken Hanson Bursary) - \$326,576.29

Discussion about adding into our budget an expenditure for a lay person & the Pastor to attend the NALC conference in Canmore.

Alvin makes a motion that we set a side \$6000.00 for a lay person & the Pastor to attend the NALC conference in Canmore and use up to \$6000.00 yearly.

Motion by Alvin to the amend the motion to offset with a donation line in the same amount. Agreed by consensus that the amendment is carried.

The motion as amended now reads that the that we set aside \$6000.00 for a lay person & the Pastor to attend the NALC conference in Canmore & use up to \$6000.00 yearly and we will offset this with a donation line in the same amount. Steve seconded. All in favour. Carried.

Roxy presented the *Proposed Operational Budget for 2021*. **Roxy MOVED** that the proposed budget be accepted as presented. Jolene SECONDED the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Financial Auditors for 2020:

The financial audit for 2020 needs to be completed prior to the second part of the Annual Congregational Meeting in February.

- **Jolene nominated** Alvin Stedel. Alvin accepted.
- **Roxy nominated** Lauren Kochendorfer – Jolene will ask her.
- **Anne nominated** Pat Tofteland – if Pat declines then we will ask Lauren.

Next Congregational Meeting (Part 2) set for Monday February 22 2021 @ 7:30pm.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.