

January 2004 Voter's Meeting Minutes

Annual Meeting
January 11, 2004

Chairman Nelson Torbeck called the meeting to order and Pastor Wohletz spoke concerning Is. 42, servant songs and restoration, and led those present in prayer. The minutes were read and accepted as read. A motion to accept Tracy and Tonya Meyer and family as transfers from St. Peter, St. Peter and Molly and Chandler Meyer by Profession of Faith received a second and carried. A motion to grant a peaceful release to Misty Schukar Frakes to Holy Cross, Vandalia, received a second and passed.

The Treasurer's reports, both quarterly and annual were given. The Auditors reported the "books are O.K." A motion to accept the reports of the Treasurer and the Auditors received a second and carried. The Elders reported meeting monthly with Pastor Wohletz, that they are continuing to visit with members, and that things are going well.

The School Board and Trustees had nothing to report at this time. The Sunday School reported that they are breaking up one large class to create two smaller classes. They are still accepting volunteers to teach and work with the Sunday School. The Bible Class reported that they are studying the Book of Acts and urge people to attend. The Financemen, Sexton, and Young People had nothing to report at this time.

Pastor Wohletz reported that worship attendance is up and encourages people to attend the Bible and Angel studies. "Captive Free", a performance art group, will be presenting a program at the Church on March 30. The Men of the Church are working on an appearance by a hot air balloon, perhaps in coordination with the Vacation Bible School.

A motion to have the annual Church picnic on the first Sunday in June received a second and carried. A motion to accept the Council's recommendation of special collections received a second and passed. They are:

Ash Wednesday	Ft. Wayne Seminary
Second Lenten Service	Lutheran World Relief
Third Lenten Service	St. Louis Seminary
Fourth Lenten Service	Lutherans for Life
Fifth Lenten Service	Luther School for the Deaf (Jacksonville)

Sixth Lenten Service St. Louis Seminary
Maundy Thursday Ft. Wayne Seminary
Easter Sunrise Service Bethesda

A motion to accept the Council's recommendation of endorsing "Christ Our Rock" high school at Centralia received a second and carried. A motion to accept the Council's recommendation for nominations for President and Vice-Presidents of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod received a second and passed. They are:

President (two names)

Kurt Marquart (a professor at Ft. Wayne Seminary, Ft. Wayne, IN)
Daniel Preus (head of Concordia Historical Institute and Synod first vice-president, St. Louis, MO)

First Vice-President (two names)

Daniel Preus (head of Concordia Historical Institute and Synod first vice-president, St. Louis, MO)
Wallace Schulz (currently working with the Lutheran Heritage Foundation and Synod second vice-president, former Lutheran Hour Speaker)

Other Vice-Presidents

Lawrence White (pastor of Our Savior Lutheran Church, Houston, TX)
Wallace Schulz (currently working with the Lutheran Heritage Foundation and Synod second vice-president, former Lutheran Hour Speaker)
Ronald Feuerhahn (professor at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO)
William Weinrich (professor at Ft. Wayne Seminary, Ft. Wayne, IN)

A motion to have the secretary send a thank you note to Terry Yarbrough for his donation of communion wine received a second and carried. A motion to have the secretary write a thank you note to State Farm Insurance for their donation of office furniture received a second and passed.

The Elders thanked Lee Schaal and Bob Williams for going to Bloomington and getting the office furniture.

Pastor Wohletz thanked Scott and Tim Torbeck for the work they did in his office.

The minutes were read and it was pointed out that people are encouraged to sign the "Record of Fellowship" found in each pew every Sunday that they attend. The signing of the "Record of Fellowship" helps with the correlation of the Church records.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

F. Gale Meseke, secretary