October 2007 Voter's Meeting Minutes

Quarterly Meeting

October 7, 2007

Pastor Wohletz read a selection from the Book of Luke, then he and his family led those present in singing "This Little Gospel Light of Mine" and spoke about God's Gospel Light. He then led those present in prayer. The minutes were read and accepted as read. A motion to accept Kenny Meseke as a transfer from Holy Cross, Vandalia, Illinois, and Stacia and Cassidy Rose as transfers from St. John's, Effingham, received a second and carried. There were no releases for the past quarter.

The Chairman appointed Jerry Schukar, Dennis Schukar, and Dennis Meseke as tellers for the elections. The Treasurer's report was given and there was a discussion about the Building Fund. During their report the Elders recommended dropping the New Year's Day service. After some discussion, a motion to this effect received a second. There was a call for a secret ballot. The motion carried. The Board of Education had nothing to report at this time.

The Trustees reported that the water is hooked up and that they are still discussing the Door Project. After some discussion it was decided to have the Trustees make copies of the Door Project materials and pass them out at a future service. People may then share their opinions with the Trustees. The Trustees received a bid for the position of Janitor from Allen and Jeanette Sasse for \$10,400 (the same as last year). A motion to accept this bid received a second and passed.

The Sunday School reported that attendance has risen and that they will soon begin practice for the Christmas program. The Sexton reported that we have no written policy regarding tombstones. The Young People reported that they had a good time on their trip. The Trustees recommended a budget of \$140,000 for Home and \$9,000 for Mission . A motion to accept the recommendation of the Trustees received a second and carried.

A motion to accept the recommendation of the Council in regard to special collections received a second and passed. They are:

Thanksgiving World Relief

First Advent Service Armed Forces Ministry

Second Advent Service Lighthouse Pregnancy Center

Third Advent Service LAMP Ministry

Christmas Eve Service Lutheran Child & Family Services Christmas Day Service ½ to KFUO, ½ to "This Is The Life"

New Year's Eve The Lutheran Hour

There was a question regarding the status of the Constitution. Pastor Wohletz reported that the Central Illinois District had reviewed the changes in the Constitution and sent it back to the congregation. Changes are now being made and the Constitution will be sent back to the Central Illinois District to be reviewed again.

Pastor Wohletz was excused so those present could review his salary. The Council recommended following the guidelines of the Synod which would include a \$1408.32 salary increase and an appropriate increase in the Concordia Plan. After some discussion, it was moved and seconded to follow the recommendation of the Council and to follow the Synod's guidelines. There was a call for a secret ballot. The motion carried.

The Chairman thanked and released the tellers. A motion to make the elections unanimous by a rising vote received a second and passed. The election results are:

Chairman Nelson Torbeck Vice-Chairman Charles Kruenegel

Elder Dan Meyer
Board of Education Wally Bertram
Financial Reviewer Lee Schaal
Trustee Art Schukar
Sunday School Supt. Bob Williams
Asst. Sunday School Supt. Rick Sasse

Secretary
Treasurer
Asst. Treasurer
Financeman
Parish Hall Coordinator
Gale Meseke (volunteered)
Scott Torbeck (volunteered)
Jerry Schukar (volunteered)
Dennis Schukar (volunteered)
Allen Sasse (volunteered)

After the reading of the minutes, the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

3. Gale Meseke, Secretary