

# January 2009 Voter's Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Annual Meeting

January 11, 2009

Vice-Chairman Nelson Torbeck called the meeting to order. Pastor Wohletz read a selection from Romans Chapter 6, verse 4 and following. He spoke to the reading and then led those present in prayer. The minutes were read and accepted as read.

A motion to accept Michael Sasse and Jeff Stephenson as voting members received a second and carried. The Treasurer gave both the Quarterly and Annual Reports. The Financial Reviewers reported the books were in good order. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Annual Report and the Report of the Financial Reviewers received a second and passed.

The Elders reported meeting monthly. They have spoken to Pastor Meyer of Salem about serving as our vacancy pastor. A motion to have Pastor Meyer fill the position of our vacancy pastor received a second and carried. The Elders have also spoken with the Central Illinois District President about having a candidate as our next Pastor. There was a discussion regarding having a candidate as a Pastor. The paperwork to call a candidate is due by March 1, 2009. Pastor Wohletz explained the process of calling a candidate to those present. A motion to allow the Elders to call a candidate received a second and passed.

The Board of Education had nothing to report at this time. The Trustees explained the options for dealing with the floor in the basement which included removal of the adhesive and painting the floor. Another option was to lay carpeting for about \$4,000. A motion to place Outdoor Antimicrobial carpeting in the basement by accepting DePaolo's bid received a second and, after some discussion, carried. The Trustees also

reported that they are still experiencing a problem with water seeping from under the Bell Tower into the basement restrooms. They are continuing to work on a solution to this problem.

The Sunday School reported that they have good attendance but now need another teacher. The Bible Class is finishing the Book of Jonah and will begin a period of questions and answers soon.

A motion to accept Albert Wefer, who volunteered to serve as a finance man to replace Richard Krug, received a second and carried. The Sexton reported that the cemetery will be cleaned up soon.

A motion to accept the Council's recommendation for Special Collections received a second and carried. 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 Jacksonville	Lutheran School for the Deaf at
Sixth Lenten Service	Central Illinois Deaf Ministry
Maundy Thursday Service	Christ Our Rock High School
Easter Sunrise Service	Bethesda

The Vice-Chairman turned the matter of helping select a new circuit counselor over to the Board of Elders. Greg Schaal is to be the lay delegate for our congregation to the Central Illinois District Convention to be held in Springfield , Illinois , on July 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Lee Schaal volunteered to be the alternate delegate.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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