

## 2023 Annual Meeting of the Knife River Lutheran Church

February 12, 2023 – 10:00 am

Meeting called to order by President Bjorn Ojard

Quorum determined by acting Secretary Helene Hedlund – 52 people present

Opening prayer by Pastor Susan

**Approval of Agenda** – Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve **CARRIED**

**Approval of Annual Meeting Minutes of 2022 pages 3-4 of Annual Report Packet**

Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve **CARRIED**

**Acknowledgment of Congregations Ministries and Leaders**

Kay Struve will step back as newsletter chair. We will need another volunteer for 2023

**Approval of Annual Report, pages 6-21**

- Gift of appreciation presented to Bjorn for his years of service as outgoing president
- Sharon Shelerud was recognized as outgoing Secretary. She was unable to attend the meeting.
- A brief oral summary of reports as detailed in written reports included in packet was given.
- Landscape Report orally given by Nancy Dent as to progress. (cont. agenda item) A task force was formed. This new task force will be on going -
  - Have met with Lake County to identify issues and resolutions as it relates to the plan
  - Found way to remove and/or move mosaics
  - SAS Architects have been hired (approved by council) to develop plan
  - Next steps. Task force will meet in March to review and identify progress... It was noted there is a lot to do.
- Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve annual reports **CARRIED**

**Treasurer's Report** – Ed reported the first 10 months donations were conservative, however, the last two months giving increased that resulted in a very successful financial year.

- Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve Treasure's Report **CARRIED**

**2023 Budget** -Highlights:

- The 2023 budget overall is 5.8 percentage lower than 2022
- Note changes to outreach giving processes
- 2023 will be a test year for the revised process. It will be assessed at the end of 2023 to determine if it will continue or needs to be modified.
- NOTE: ELCA World Hunger and God's Barnyard are components of qualifying for the Holy Cow Award.
- Thank to Ed and Michael for their work on KRLC finances!
- Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve 2023 Budget **CARRIED**

**Audit Report** – Highlights:

- A detail review was conducted by Audit team. We couldn't ask for a better financial team. A hearty thank you!

**Old Business** – None

**New Business**

**Constitutional Amendment**

- Discussion as to need to clarify/amend constitution
- Issue came to light when we went to virtual meetings
- Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to add the following language to the election of Officers and Council
  - C11.02 'Unopposed nominees may be declared elected by unanimous ballot or acclamation
  - C12.02 'Unopposed nominees may be declared by unanimous ballot or acclamation
  - Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve **CARRIED**

**Thank you to Bjorn Ojard** for his years of serving on Church Council and as President

- 2/09/14 Council 1 term; 2/24/2016 Vice President 1 year; 1/22/17 – 2/12/23 President 3 terms

**Thank you to Sharon Shelerud** for her years of serving on Church Council and as Secretary

- 1/22/2017 – 2/12/23 as Secretary 3 terms

**Election of Officers/Members at Larges –**

The KRLC Nominating Committee presented a list of officers/members at large

Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve **CARRIED**

- President – Helene Hedlund 2025 (can serve 2 more 2 yr terms)
- Vice President – David Grong To fill Helene's term ending
- Secretary – Jan Swanson 2025 (can serve 2 more 2 year terms)
- Treasurer - Ed Lee 2024 (can serve 2 more 2 year terms)
- Members at Large
  - Randi Alreck 2025 – Final Term
  - Nancy Dent 2025 (can serve 1 more 2 year term)
  - Bill Meyer 2024 (can serve 1 more 2 year term)
  - Vicky Gorman 2024 (can serve 2 more 2 year terms)
  - Kay Bloom 2025 (can serve 2 more 2 year terms)

**2023 Auditors** – Scott Jasperson & Whiting – motion not required

**2023 Synod Delegates** – Last week of April or 1<sup>st</sup> week in May. Will be in person – Cragens Resort

- No one volunteered at this time. Council will recruit delegates
- No motion – ongoing until delegates recruit

**Closing Remarks** – President Bjorn Ojard

**Closing Prayer** – Pastor Susan

**Adjourn** – Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> **CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted

Helene Hedlund – Acting Secretary