



DRAFT Feb 2025 Council Meeting Minutes

The Holy Love Council Meeting held via Zoom on February 18th, 2025

Attendees:

Ashley Noyd (Council President), Laura Flynn, Pastor Brittany Kooi, Harry Laubach, Kristy Miller, Carol Smith, Melissa Waples & Lindy Whitney in attendance

Minutes:

1. Call to Order - **Meeting started 7:04pm**
2. Opening Devotion (Ed Truett)
3. Roll Call - All council members in attendance except Lynna Staggs Sampsell. Ashley Noyd will continue to take minutes during meetings.
4. Open Discussion for Congregation: No attendants from congregation
5. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - a. **A motion to approve January 2025 Council Minutes** was made by Ed Truett, seconded by Melissa Waples (abstention by Kristy Miller and Laura Flynn). **The motion was carried unanimously.**
6. Committee/Task Force Reports
 - a. Pastor's Report (Pastor Brittany Kooi)
 - i. Lent: St Mark's will be joining for pulpit swap—mid-week and evening options for Lent (excluding Holy Week).
 - ii. Discussion about the Annual meeting and why it was successful: Financial meeting preceding the Congregational meeting was believed to be a large part and recommend doing that again next year. Want to ensure that people feel they will be heard.
 - b. Property (Ed Truett)
 - i. Tree branch inhibiting stop sign issue resolved, as well as the replacement of narthex lights
 - ii. Discussion regarding safety of the church mailbox
 - c. Finance (Lindy Whitney)
 - i. YTD contributions for budget are \$959.08 less than budget. YTD pledged were \$18.15 more than budget; unpledged were \$1,158.00 less than budget.
 - ii. **A motion to designate Lenten offerings to support CSU campus ministry housing fund and Joshua Station shelter** was made by Ashley Noyd, seconded by Melissa Waples. **The motion was carried unanimously.** Pastor Brittany will also ask All-Saints to contribute to these causes with their Lenten giving.
 - iii. **A motion to authorize distribution of \$500 from the Outreach fund to support local refugee family via Jewish Family Services** was made by Laura Flynn, seconded by Melissa Waples. **The motion**

was carried unanimously. Pastor Brittany will provide method of distribution to Finance.

- iv. Carol Smith inquired about adding Venmo option for giving. Melissa investigated this last year but HL did not move forward due to several limitations with the service.
 - d. Preschool (Pastor Brittany Kooi)
 - i. 28 kids already enrolled for 25-26 school year.
 - e. Christian Education (Laura Flynn)
 - i. No meeting this month.
7. Old Business
- a. No open Action Items from 01/2025 Meeting
 - b. Bookkeeper position
 - i. Overview of the origin of the job description and why it was developed with an independent contractor in mind. The Preschool Board met but did not vote on or approve the contract as written. Council upheld the importance of a single operator reflecting the single EIN that both church and preschool operate under. Additionally Council will look at incorporating explicit language into the Constitution update to emphasize the protection of the restricted funds for any ministry fund. Recommendation to hold a meeting with Council and the Board to understand their concerns, as well as gather information on the current contract for the preschool CPA. Pastor Brittany to set up a meeting; Ashley Noyd to abstain due to conflict of interest, but Ed Truett to represent Council.
8. New Business
- a. **A motion was made to approve the CRC job description as written and post it** by Laura Flynn, seconded by Melissa Waples; **the motion carried unanimously.**
9. Closing Blessing (Pastor Brittany Kooi)
10. Adjournment
- a. **A motion was made to close the meeting** by Melissa Waples, seconded by Kristy Miller; **the motion carried unanimously.**
 - b. **Meeting was closed at 8:27pm**
 - c. Carol Smith volunteered to do the March devotional.

Next Meeting Date: March 18th, 2024, 7pm (Zoom)