

December 2024 Meeting Minutes

This is the meeting of St Paul's Lutheran Church held on Tuesday, December 10th, 2024, at 6:30 PM in the basement of the church.

Council members present: Monte Bracker, Alek Murphy, Bill Bracker, Chris Segrell, Rashelle Wohlers, Julie Jenson, Emily McKern, and Mike Van Sickle.

Also present: Pastor Widener

Monte, as President, conducted the meeting. Pastor Widener led those present in an opening prayer.

The previous month's Minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve by Julie, 2nd by Mike. All in favor, motion passes.

Pastor's Report

Congregation-led service will be 12/29, as Pastor and his family will be in South Carolina.

Pastor would like to do a youth outing like ice skating or Zootopia lights in December, but unknown if schedules will allow.

Can services be live streamed on Youtube also, or instead of Facebook?

Can we consolidate the audio/visual equipment? Can a laminated step-by-step process be left by the equipment?

The previous two month's Treasurer's Reports were reviewed. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Reports by Bill, 2nd by Mike. All in favor, motion passes. Julie messaged Nancy to make sure that the CDs for the Building Fund were not rolled over when they mature next year. Motion by Bill, 2nd by Mike to renew the SOLA Publishing Subscription. All in favor. Motion passed.

Old Business

Building Project – schematics for building project have been emailed to Bill. He forwarded them to Jason Brincks, who will have contractors bid the project. Each set of plans cost \$18,000, so the most extensive project was drawn, and Jason can compute the scaled down project once bids are received.

Harvest Festival – raised \$1,755 that went to Samaritan's Purse.

Angel Tree funds - \$1000 sent to Underwood. \$1000 will also be used for a Tri-Center family, coming from funds collected, and the remainder coming from Bob's fund.

The Nominating Committee consisting of Ruben, Steve, Bruce, Julie, Bill, & Monte will meet 12/29 after church service.

New Business

Cold & flu season is upon us. Use your best judgment for greeting others, sharing the peace, etc.

The Polar Express movie night will be Dec 20th. Hot dogs will be served.

We are considering members for the annual audit before the Congregational Meeting, which is scheduled for January 26th, 2025.

We are also planning on making an updated church directory with phone numbers, email addresses, anniversaries, birthdays, etc, and preferred means of contact.

We set the Proposed Budget for 2025. Motion by Bill, 2nd by Mike. All in favor. Motion passed.

If anyone would like to contribute to a “Christmas Bonus” for Pastor Paul, Rashelle will attempt to speak with congregation individually 12/15 & 12/22. Bonus will be presented on Christmas Eve.

Next Council Meeting will be January 14th at 6:30 PM.

We recited the Lord’s Prayer together to conclude the meeting.

Respectfully submitted.
Rashelle Wohlers

Upcoming dates:

1/14 – 6:30 PM - Council Meeting

1/26 – following worship – Congregational meeting