

St. John-St. Matthew-Emanuel Lutheran Church

Electronic Council Meeting on Zoom – Tuesday, February 9, 2021

Present: Pastor David Parsons, Marc Youngblood, Tom Reiner, Andrew Kjoller, Barbara Gruenburg, Fran Onne-Fong, Anne Voorhies, Joseph Militello, Yonni Matson, Tammy Johnson, Sarah Sampson.

A quorum was present.

Excused Absence: Katherine Anderson

Also Present: Deacon Eric Johnson

Prayer: Opening prayer was led by Pastor Parsons.

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 pm.

Secretary: Fran Onne-Fong

Election of Council Officers: Marc Youngblood, President; Andrew Kjoller, Vice President; Tammy Johnson, Treasurer; Katie Cunningham, Financial Secretary; Fran Onne-Fong, Secretary. A motion was made, seconded and adopted to approve the election of these Council Officers.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made, seconded and adopted to approve the agenda.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes : A motion was made, seconded and adopted to approve the minutes of the Council's meeting held on January 12, 2021 as amended.

Reports:

Pastor's Report: Pastor Parsons presented an oral report to the Council. He updated the term table with Tom Reiner in 1st term; Anne Voorhies in 1st term; Fran Onne-Fong in 2nd term and keeping one spot vacant.

Pastor Parsons & his family will take a vacation day on Sunday, Feb 14th, 2021 and Pastor Becca Seely will lead the service.

Pastor Parsons had a talk with Nadine Cordes, as had been proposed in the January Council meeting, about her Youth Ministry Call possibly being

terminated at the end of this fiscal year in June. This conversation was made more urgent when the January Council Minutes, which noted the discussion, were inadvertently sent to all in the congregation. Marc Youngblood & Andrew Kjoller will have a further discussion with her.

Pastor Parsons suggested that when we make our budget in June, we will need to budget for someone in IT who is paid to take care of our Facebook and Zoom church services so they can proceed consistently without always relying on Pastor Parsons family members and the generous voluntary work of Marc & Kuye Youngblood. Feedback was given and shared with the Council about muting and unmuting parts of the service. The Worship Committee needs to have a Zoom meeting to discuss worship if and when we mute during the services and procedures for technical support.

Carrie Thompson, Aaron and their family will be moving to New Haven, Conn.

Finance: Tammy Johnson, Treasurer, presented the July through December 2020 financial report that was discussed at the Annual Congregation Meeting. Andrew Kjoller, Vice President, said that Annual Contribution reports for tax purposes will be coming out to members of the congregation soon.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Council is scheduled for 7:30 pm on Tuesday, March 9, 2021.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by:

Fran Onne-Fong, Secretary