

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Lansdale, PA  
November 22, 2022 Council Governance Meeting

The November 22nd Council Governance meeting was called to order by Karen Bergey, President, at 6:30 p.m. in Room 264, followed by devotions and prayer by Pastor Fowler

In Attendance: Karen Bergey, Julie Kinzel, Teri Lanan, Jamie Price, Cindy Weiss, and Pastor Fowler. Pastor Ric and Deacon Jane Elliott also attended for a portion of the meeting, as well as Sandy Cottrell attending for a portion of the meeting. The agenda was approved with a motion made by Cindy Weiss and seconded by Teri Lanan, with approval granted to move some agenda items around.

Jamie Price discussed the financial position as of the end of October, which had been posted for Council's review. There is a net deficit for the month of \$8882 and a year-to-date net deficit of \$37,000 which includes Thrivent paper loss. She noted that Endowment Committee is seeking a new chairperson, with Dave Crosson's recent retirement as chairperson.

Pastor Fowler gave a pavilion update. He reported that last Wednesday he had received word that Lansdale has not approved the plans yet. Additional site survey information was required and was submitted last week.

Teri Lanan gave an update on the Shared Leadership Team meeting. She is working with Julie Kinzel and Cindy Ryan to plan a Christmas party for the December 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. At this time, they are planning to have a sit-down dinner prepared by Mark Lanan. Council agreed that all HUB members should be invited, not just the leaders.

Sandy Cottrell was present, as conveyor of the Luther Hall Task Force, to review the scope and timeline of the Task Force and respond to questions on her pre-read presentation.

Pastor Ric and Deacon Jane Elliott were present to discuss and answer questions regarding their pre-read document on Faith Formation reflections.

Cindy Weiss gave an update on the Nominating Committee. They have met once and have some names to consider. Cindy noted that she will not be returning for another term and will need to be replaced. Still awaiting word on decision of others who have an expiring term. Cindy Weiss also noted that the Call Committee has not received any names as yet from the Synod.

Karen Bergey reviewed some upcoming dates. She requested Council members each send her one line of Council highlights for the Annual Meeting booklet by December 5<sup>th</sup>. Shared Leadership Meeting is December 13<sup>th</sup>, Council Governance Meeting will be December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m., and January Council Governance Meeting will be January 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. A Council meeting to review the slides for the Annual Meeting will be January 25<sup>th</sup>. Annual Meeting is February 12<sup>th</sup>.

Pastor Fowler gave the pastor's report. Evaluation process is underway and has been extended to January 15<sup>th</sup>. RIC statement needs to be updated and Julie Kinzel agreed to help him with this to bring statement to December Council meeting for approval. Discussed struggles with calendaring and communications which includes REALM. Noted it was decided to hold off for now on decision on alcohol policy, but may revisit later.

Following the pastor's report, Pastor Fowler and Council held confidential discussions, followed by adjournment of the meeting at 9:10 p.m. and Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted  
Dianne Kalb, Recording Secretary