

Consistory Meeting Minutes – February 18, 2016

- I. **Call to Order/Roll Call:** Meeting was opened by Deb Dietrich, President, at 6:37pm. Candle was lit and prayer offered by Deb Dietrich. Those attending were Deb Dietrich, Jim Stewart, Dianna Decker, Allen Dennis, and Brad Bunnell. Absent was Sandy Kleger, however, she did join by speakerphone.
- II. **Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the December Congregational Meeting (December 6, 2015) and the January Consistory Meeting (January 31, 2016) reviewed. A motion was made Jim Stewart and seconded by Diana Decker to approve the December Congregational Meeting Minutes. Motion carried. A motion was made by Brad Bunnell and seconded by Deb Dietrich to approve the January Consistory Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.
- III. **Treasurer's Report:** Treasury reports for 12-31-2015 and 1-31-2016 were provided to the members at the time of the meeting. Overall totals for general, building, and memorial funds were calculated correctly. A motion was made by Brad Bunnell and seconded by Allen Dennis to approve the December Treasurer's Report. Motion carried. A motion was made by Allen Dennis and seconded by Dianna Decker to approve the January Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.
 1. Discussion took place about the funds of the church. All members were in agreement that the consistory should be aware of all accounts, funds (Ruth Rinehimer CD, Carillon Fund, etc.), donations, etc. It was also agreed upon that the consistory should be aware of the person or persons in control of these funds.
- IV. **New Consistory Members:** All consistory members agreed to appoint Jim Stewart to the consistory. He will be filling the seat and term left by Dwain Straight.
- V. **Search Committee Report:** Jim Stewart stated that the questionnaires will be distributed in church on February 21st and mailed to those who members who do not regularly attend services. It should be completed and returned within two weeks and the information gathered will be used to form the Local Church Profile. At that point, the search committee can move forward in the search process.
- VI. **Old Business:**
 1. **Organist:** At this point there are no updates on the organist position.
 2. **Financial Secretary:** The need to find a replacement for the position of Financial Secretary was discussed. The duties and responsibilities of the Financial Secretary will be reviewed to possibly post the position.

3. **Small Games of Chance:** The Small Games of Chance license renewal has been signed and sent and we are waiting to get it back.

VII. New Business:

1. **Repairs to the chimney:** Deb Dietrich received quotes on two different options for repairing the heating system for the church. The first quote (from Glen Kellogg Sakes and Service) was for repairs to the chimney. The lining of the chimney needs to be replaced at a cost of \$4,500. After making this repair, we would still be in the need of servicing or replacing the current furnace. The second quote (from Peters Bottled Gas Inc.) was for a new furnace that runs on propane instead of oil. The cost of this would be \$7,000. This option would alleviate the need for chimney repairs as a propane furnace does not require a chimney. Allen Dennis made a motion to purchase the propane furnace with the Ruth Rinehimer Fund. The motion was seconded by Jim Stewart. Motion carried.
2. **Confirmation Class:** There will be no confirmation class this year due to the pastor situation.
3. **Services:** Allen Dennis raised questions about Pastor Ken's contractual responsibilities and Sunday services. How are his absences and pay related? Could we keep the announcements and the beginning of the service and voice our "joys & concerns?" Deb Dietrich will speak with Pastor Ken about this.
4. **300 Club:** Allen Dennis stated that another band is need for the event.
5. **Easter services:** Deb Dietrich will ask Pastor Ken about services on Easter Sunday, particularly the sunrise service. Allen Dennis will check to see if the men will be preparing the traditional Easter Sunday breakfast.

VIII. Communion Setup: March 6: Deb Dietrich and Brad Bunnell – March 24: Diana Decker and Deb Dietrich

IX. Next Meeting: Thursday, March 17th, 2016 at 6:30pm

X. Adjournment: Meeting was called to a close at 8:02pm, motion to adjourn by Diana Decker and seconded by Allen Dennis.