

April 18, 2004 Church Council Meeting

Council Members Present: Bob Rhyne, Charlotte Fairman, Jack Heberlig, Ron Graham, Tom Frick, Don Keen, Mark Elgart, Jack Miller, Mandy Trombley, Bill Sturgeon

Council Members Absent: Julia Passmore, due to illness
Amy Murphy
Pastor Graff, out of town

Meeting officially opened and called to order by Bob Rhyne

Mandy Trombley reads March 21, 2004 minutes, the only change to be made is that under the Finance Committee's Report a note should be made that Abby Kerr has been named as the chairman of that committee

Motion: To approve March 21, 2004 minutes

- Don Kerr, made motion
- Charlotte Fairman, second
- Motion approved, unanimously in favor

President's Report from Bob Rhyne:

- Card from Crystal Brown thanking St. Luke's for making her the recipient of the Carol Walton Fund
- Anna Vee's update on the Love Thy Neighbor Festival
 - All proceeds from the India booth will go towards a school in India
 - Profits made by the Waxhaw Museum booth has been promised to the Waxhaw Museum
 - The congregation will be hosting a 'Country Store,' members will donate homemade crafts for sale in the booth
 - Hot dogs will be \$1
 - Please decide what group the money raised from this event will be for. She suggests:
 - Veteran's Hospital
 - Loaves and Fishes
 - Check with Thrivent to see if they match our earnings
 - Determine amount to be given to Archie Hayes for all the extra work done for the festival
- Letter from Rosalie Steinitz, new publicity chair
 - Letter sent to Observer in aims to get PR for St. Luke's
- Email from John Nerison
 - Council Priorities as he sees them
 - Staffing
 - Make Pastor whole on his transition expenses
 - Make Ken Franke's job fulltime
 - Consider increasing Sandra Taylor's hours or make her fulltime
 - Make adjustments to salary for Archie Hayes and Audrey McConnell

- Property
 - Get the facility back in shape
- “It is my impression that the “institution” of St. Luke’s suffered over the past several years and we need the institution rebuilt before launching a lot of new stuff.”

Finance Committee Report from Bill Sturgeon:

- 2003 books have not been closed
 - It should take 7-10 days to finish
 - Ken and Paul are currently working on September payroll
 - When it’s finished, statements will be posted on the bulletin board for members to see
- Paul Brown will be finished at St. Luke’s upon the closing off 2003’s books
 - Judy Overman and Hildi Stevenson will catch-up from January-May 2004
- 2004 records still have to be reconciled
- **Motion:** Allow the finance committee to continue what they’re doing until next month where they will present Council with their needs and recommendations for the accounting functions of the church. We (the Council) will then vote on purposed recommendations.
 - Mark Elgart, made motion
 - Don Keen, second
 - Motion failed, 4 to 4 vote in favor
- **Motion:** Complete closing of the 2003 books with Paul Brown. At the May Council meeting, the Finance Committee will present their needs and recommendations for the accounting functions of the church. We (the Council) will then vote on the purposed recommendations.
 - Jack Miller, made motion
 - Mandy Trombley, second
 - Motion passed, 5 to 4 vote in favor

Christian Education Report from Mandy Trombley:

- The first class of Charlotte Lutheran School at St. Luke’s will not be starting in the ’04-’05 school year. Due to lack of response the school will open in the fall of 2005.
- Charlotte Fairman graciously donated videos and coloring books for the youth Sunday School

Youth Report from Mark Elgart:

- 33 people attended the Avalon concert on April 17th
- Fundraising carwash in May
- Will vote in May committee meeting about June BBQ at Charlotte Fairman’s home

Worship and Music Report from Amy Murphy:

- No report

Evangelism Report from Charlotte Fairman:

- No report

Social Ministry Report from Ron Graham and Don Keen:

- Still looking for volunteers for working at Crisis Center

Stewardship Report from Jack Heberlig:

- Pictorial Directory
 - Finished taking photos, 154 families photographed
 - Next step is photos of church and church events
 - Helen Morris is suggested to help with graphic work

Special Committee: Constitution Committee report from Chris Turner:

- No report

Special Committee: Archive Committee report from Marilyn Schuster:

- Will start in June

Buildings and Grounds Committee report from Tom Frick:

- Will finish cleaning out the most fireproof room to put archives in
- Good turnout to clean Sanctuary the weekend before Easter
- Cleaning out rooms one by one
 - Everything not claimed will be sold in the attic sale
- Lights in the parking lot
 - No time table has been established
 - Duke Power has come and put stakes down
- Roof
 - 6 bids to fix the roof (\$88,000; \$104,500; \$105,000; \$122,000; \$132,000; 155,000) (two of the six have worked on the church before)
 - We need something that will last 20 years
 - Currently, where the roof has failed, the insulation absorbed the water while original roof was holding most of the water.
 - **Motion:** Narrow choices down to 3 contractors and call an executive committee meeting to choose one.
 - Don Keen, makes motion
 - Jack Miller, second
 - Motion approved, unanimously in favor
 - Contractors will be instructed to only take off what they can build back in one day
 - Finance Committee will need to start looking for funds

New Business:

- **Motion:** All money made from the Love Thy Neighbor Festival will into the Habitat for Humanity fund.
 - Charlotte Fairman, makes motion
 - Mark Elgart, seconds
 - Motion approved, unanimously in favor

Dismissal