

Approved Minutes March 2018
MINUTES
CHURCH COUNCIL
PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Marlton, New Jersey
February 26, 2018

Council Members Present:

Pastor Ballenger

Allison Shingleton-President

Sharon Elliott- Vice President/Worship and Music

Pam Hann-Secretary/Social Missions

Pauline Ahern-Treasurer and Addiction and Mental Health/Health Support

Lori Hartley-Addiction and Mental Health/Health Support

Bryan Ressler- Family and Education

Bob Price-Stewardship and Building Community

Emma Oettl-Youth

Joe Chiarulli-Property

Liz Dietz-Assistant Financial Secretary/Finance

Guests: Laura Glatz

- Opening- Meeting was opened at 7:07pm. Bob made a motion to approve the minutes from the last council meeting (January 29,2018). Sharon seconded. Motion passed.
- Refreshments: The food was provided by Joe Chiarulli. Thank You!
- Ministry Updates:
 - Addiction and Mental Health/Health Support-** see attached minutes.
 - Building Community-**
 - Youth-** a lock in was held in January. The Winter Youth Assembly was held on February 9-11th. 3 Youth and 1 chaperone attended.
 - Property-**see attached minutes.
 - Social Missions-** Scott Rush delivered food to Bridge of Peace for their food pantry.
 - Family and Education-**see attached minutes. We are looking for someone to take charge of the Library.
 - Finance-** Previously, quarterly financial reports were sent out, she will now send out trimester reports. On the second page of the financial report, the

adjusted excess is deceptive. It reads that we have an excess of \$15,782. This is due to the fact that some pledges are given all at once in the beginning of the year.

- Witnesses from the Congregation-
Allison enjoyed the Adult Forum and Discipleship Practice joining together for the burning of the ashes for Ash Wednesday.
Joe enjoyed the Wreath Making.
Allison loved the new banners made by Toby Jo Caven.
Laura announced that \$1,000.00 was raised, along with numerous gift cards for Lori Harasym and her family. These donations were from the community and POP members to help her in this time of need. Her house burned down a few weeks ago.
- Pastor's Report-
He has had no days off this past week. He had 1 funeral, 2 baptisms, Circle Lydia Book Club, confirmation and a district meeting. Tuesday is the Bishop's meeting in West Long Branch.
His three goals:
 1. Interaction between congregation and families with children.
 2. Pastor Brett and Marvin will be hosting 3 dinners on Saturday Nights. These will include young families with children and other people in the congregation.
 3. Worship- working with Guy to incorporate more stories and mission moments.
- Old Business
Youth Protection Policy- Revamped and Updated. See attached minutes.
Audit Committee- see attached minutes.
Insurance Policy Review-we are currently looking for someone to review our policy.
Endowment Committee- meets once a year.
2018 – Church directory- To be done in the Spring of 2018. Gathering subcommittee.
- New Business
Continuing Resolutions were read and reviewed.

C4.04.B.02 Appointing chairpersons. Allison made the motion to delete this from the Continuing Resolutions and Pauline seconded. The motion moves.

C4.04.E.02 Standing Ministries Meetings. This was changed to state: Standing Ministries shall gather regularly as needed to conduct their assigned ministry. Bob made the motion to change and Joe seconded. The motion moves.

C4.05.A.04 Reconciling in Christ. The wording was changed from Lutherans Concerned North America to Reconciling Works.

C9.03.A.07 Pastor to perform same-gendered Civil Unions and blessings. Marriages was added to this line. Allison made the motion to change and Bryan seconded. The motion moves.

C18.01.A.08 The Employee Handbook needs to be updated.

C18.01.A.09 Undesignated Memorials. Pastor Brett made the motion to strike this due to completion and Sharon seconded.

C18.01.A.18 The Congregation Council at the February 2018 meeting agreed that the monies borrowed from undesignated memorials from 2016 and 2017 will be used to subsidize the operating budget and will be repaid at \$33,803.00. Pastor Brett made the motion to add this to the Continuing Resolutions and Pauline seconded. The motion passes.

Appointment of Personnel Committee- they serve a two-year term and may serve two terms consecutively.

Steve Smith is the chair of the subcommittee. Steve was appointed in 2016 and is eligible to return for 2nd term. George King was appointed in 2017 and Karen Krueger was appointed in 2015. This will be her last year. Last year, Sharon Elliott was the Council Representative and Joe Chiarulli was appointed this year.

Synod Assembly- May 11-12 in New Brunswick. We nominated Liz and Sharon to be our two representatives.

Fund Allocation- Last year this went to the Mortgage Elimination Fund. This year it will go to Reserve Contingencies/Capital Improvement. Joe made the motion and Pam seconded.

Correspondence- Thank You Note from ELCA

Requests for Building Use- (see attached) page 15- approved for Trish Suplee for one-time use. Page 16- Gambler's Anonymous. This is a

reoccurring meeting every week. They will be using Luther Hall. Sharon made the motion and Bob seconded. The motion passes. Page 13- AA small group. This will be a reoccurring meeting in the Star Room. Pauline made the motion and Bryan seconded.

Transfers- Membership for Richard and Glenda Hutchins was transferred to POP.

- Reminders- Next Council Meeting – March 26th.

All Council Reps.- Please review the list of activities under your Ministry Umbrella for better understanding of the restructuring that happened in 2017. If you need a fresh list, please ask Laura.

Refreshments: Lori

Devotional Leader: Joe

Upcoming Events/ Calendar Review: May 6th New Members Potluck hosted by Council. 4:30-6:30

- Closing Prayer/Devotions: Pauline
- Passing of the Peace