

## ORLC Council Minutes February 15, 2021

The council met via Zoom (Covid 19). Christine Henderson called the meeting to order. Also present were Jordan Gackle, Amanda Huber, Jeremy Nitschke, Heidi Kaatz, Jim Stiles, Jamie Lagodinski & Beth Andrys. Christine called for officer nominations.

**Reorganization of the council:** Beth nominated Jamie for president, Heidi seconded. Jeremy nominated himself for vice-president, Beth seconded. Jamie nominated Beth for secretary, Amanda seconded. Beth nominated Christine for treasurer, Jeremy seconded. Heidi made a motion to accept all four positions, Amanda seconded, motion carried.

The following committees were formed:

**Evangelism:** All **Stewardship:** Christine & Amanda **Worship:** Heidi & Christine **Youth:** Beth & Jamie **Technology:** Jim (Brandon H. & Sarah - backup) **Property:** Jeremy & Beth **Fellowship:** Jamie & Amanda  
Christine made a motion to accept the committees, Heidi seconded, motion carried.

Minutes were read prior to the meeting in order to save time. Christine made a motion to approve, Amanda seconded, motion carried. Christine read the treasurer's report. Beth made a motion to accept the report, Heidi seconded, motion carried.

**Evangelism:** It was noted that Randi Kreutsberg had not yet been removed from the inactive membership list. Beth offered to do so & to correct Brandon & Brooke Huber's names in the active membership list. Christine noted that Dolores Haberman is interested in joining ORLC.

**Property:** Christine said Jim Steele & Ron Klein offered to cut & dig post holes if Dakota Valley would donate the material. Jeremy offered to ask Jim about it.

**Unfinished Old Business:** Beth will call Total Home for a firm flooring installation date & ask what we need to do to prepare. Jamie will get an estimate from Jeanie Senger for painting the kitchen & cleaning the basement.

**New Business:** Beth suggested forming a temporary committee to configure a formula for an updated salary schedule for Pastor Jordan. Christine & Jamie volunteered to be on the committee. Jeremy said he would call Arden F. & Mary S., who are both on the pastoral committee, to ask if they would be part of it. Jim proposed we form a health committee to keep apprised of the current Covid-19 situation, protocol & procedure. It was decided to keep the topic part of the agenda & discuss it each month as a group. New projects discussed by members during the annual meeting included replacing the pew cushions, purchasing stand-alone hand sanitizers & replacing the parking lot fence/border. Christine will send the council members the link to a pew cushion flyer. Jim proposed allowing members of the congregation access to the Zoom council meetings. He stressed that they would not be allowed to disrupt the meeting; they could be put on mute & pose questions in the chat room. Jeremy suggested they ask to be added to the agenda if they wanted to bring forth any issues, Christine agreed.

**Technology Report:** Jim suggested we purchase a professional pan & zoom camera connected to a laptop for the sound system using grants or fundraising to pay for it. Jamie asked if such a purchase might be considered under the Cares grant or PPE funding for qualifying expenses. Christine offered to look into it. Jim will ask Dakota Sound System about cost & whether they knew if any grant money was available.

**Pastor's Report:** Millie Leppert's prayer service & funeral went well. He thanked the council for the increase in the housing allowance & for the "Covid" bonus. He suggested subscribing to the ORLC YouTube channel & expressed his wishes for camera in order to extend the church's ministry. Ash Wednesday service will be held at 7 pm in the building. Confirmation will begin after church on Sundays & also on Wednesdays in place of Lenten services. The subject of allowing ORLC members access to the zoom council meetings upon request was revisited. After much discussion, Jim made the motion to do so with the provisions listed above. Beth seconded, motion carried.

Near the end of February, Jim will send another poll to determine the date of the March meeting. Heidi made a motion to adjourn, Jeremy seconded. Jamie closed the meeting & Pastor Jordan closed with prayer.