

ORLC Council Minutes April 26, 2021

Council members Jamie Lagodinski, Heidi Kaatz & Beth Andrys met at the church with Christine Henderson, Jeremy Nitschke joining via Zoom. Pastor Jordan joined in midway. Jamie opened the meeting & Heidi opened with a prayer. Minutes were read. Heidi made a motion to accept, Jeremy seconded. Motion passed. Treasurer's report was not available. We will decide at the May meeting where to send the Lent & Easter offering money.

Committee Reports

Worship: Church service time will change to 9 am beginning on June 6th. Pastor Jordan suggested to Heidi that the service be scaled back when he is absent & that the guest speaker would lead the service. The service would consist of a couple songs, a prayer & the message.

Technology: Heidi asked about broadcasting the services on Facebook when we have a fill-in. After some discussion, Heidi said will ask Charles Gray if he's opposed &, if not, Beth will ask Kathy DeBolt if she would be willing to record the service.

Property: Beth reported that the basement windows needed repair. Jeremy asked if Tyler could take a look at it. Someone has replaced the missing gutters. The gutter in the northeast corner is not in line with the cement slab. Jamie suggested purchasing collapsible gutters. The basement door needs to be sealed. Jamie will ask Tyler to do that. Richard Feist recommended replacing all the toilet valves. Cheryl Ness suggested we ask church families if they'd consider donating a new table for the basement. It will be advertised on FB. Christine proposed putting the old tables up for bid (free-will offering). Pew cushions: Beth will contact Waggoner's & the Hutterites for quotes. Parking lot posts: Jamie said Ron K. & Jim S. are willing to take care of it & she will ask them to do so.

Youth: Tina sent Jamie a First Communion curriculum that involved revolving stations. First Communion will tentatively begin in Jan. 2022, along with a new class of confirmation kids.

Evangelism: (Dolores Haberman is interested in joining ORLC)

Unfinished Old Business: Heidi suggested asking the school to have kids come over for Day of Caring to clean up the basement. Jamie will make a list. Camera system: DRN has a camcorder that can be wired into the existing sound system. The cost is approximately \$1,300. This includes a laptop. The laptop would be connected to wifi & would run on an installed streaming program. Services could be viewed on YouTube Live. We'd have to set up a YouTube channel & members would need to subscribe. Christine said a rep from AVI in Fargo also came & looked at our system. He said some options (similar to DRN's) were available. Jamie will follow up with DRN & we can vote on it after we get a formal bid. Heidi questioned whether DRN's system will need to be upgraded every 2-3 years. Jamie will check on it. Zion Lutheran in Ellendale uses DRN's camera system, if anyone wants to check it out.

New Business: Senior Recognition Sunday is scheduled for May 9th. Beth will order a cake & the weather will dictate indoor or outdoor fellowship. Jordan will ask Sarah to put a senior flyer together. Beth will order flowers for the moms & grandmas for Mother's Day. Jamie had some members ask her about changing the mask policy for vaccinated members. Opinions were mixed. Council decided to wait another month to decide. Jamie & Jeremy reached out to Mary S. & Arden F. They decided to work together at the end of this year to go over Pastor Jordan's salary schedule. An outdoor summer service was considered. Council decided to wait to plan it when the weather is a little warmer. Church of the Living Word is doing a community VBS 5/24-5/27 & Stella has invited ORLC. Beth will call RWBC to ask about hiring them to come out. We will make a FB post to ask if any kids want to go to Bible camp this summer. There's \$1,000 budgeted for winter & \$1,000 budgeted for summer. Lighting upgrade: Can we update to LED bulbs? Christine will contact Direct Electric to ask for pricing & options.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Jordan asked about putting the basement back together & was brought up to speed. He asked the council to start thinking about where we wanted to send the additional 1% in offering he had urged members to contribute last month.

Jamie will send another poll to determine the date of the May meeting. Heidi made a motion to adjourn, Beth seconded. Jamie closed the meeting & we ended with the Lord's Prayer.