

Gloria Dei Church Council Meeting Minutes

Location: Online Conference Call

Date: September 8, 2020

Attendees: Pastor Tim Selbo, Steve Schultz, Nick Sershen, Jon Sogn, Blake Hoffman, Amber Edelen, Missy Radigan

Absent: Sara Dannen

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by President Jon Sogn at 4:35 p.m. The meeting opened in prayer.

Proceedings

- I. **Minutes:** Blake Hoffman made a motion to approve the minutes of August 18, 2020. The motion received a second and passed. Minutes will be filed with the church office.
- II. **Treasurer's Report:**
 - a. The financial reports for July and August were emailed to the committee. Beginning cash for July was \$455,600; ending cash was \$409,902. Ending cash for the month of August was \$385,658. The ending mortgage balance for August is \$2,01,0450. Operations and staff expenses are down by \$115,000, due to temporary changes in delivery methods, so decreased giving has only resulted in a \$122,000 YTD net deficit.
 - b. Total cash for August (not including PPP funds) sits at \$777,000. PPP funds will not be included in the final budget calculations until the church receives confirmation that the loan will be forgiven.
 - c. Financial reports are available to church members upon request in the church office.
 - d. Jon Sogn will draft a financial update letter to the congregation to be included in the Friday Followings.
 - e. With the budget process beginning soon, council will consider presenting a full/traditional budget to be voted upon at the annual meeting. Council will also prepare an alternate budget(s) that could be implemented during the year in case the church needs to change course due to changing financial trends.
- III. **Old Business:**
 - a. Council discussed plans for returning to more traditional church practices such as communion, singing, coffee, and meals.
 - b. Live Stream: Equipment installation has begun but has been held up due to shipping.
 - c. Council will discuss strategies for the remaining PPP positions.
- IV. **New Business:**
 - a. Ministry Updates: New member meetings are upcoming. Church has had four funeral services. Church school set to begin October 7.
 - b. SD Synod sent a request to host a pastoral intern beginning in January. Cost to the church would be approximately be \$2,000/mo. Potential intern could assist with other duties. Council will continue discussion at next meeting.
 - c. Preschool: Morning sessions were full except for 2 slots; however, 14 students have dropped due to Covid-19.

- V. **Adjournment:** The next meeting will an online conference on September 22, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. Pastor Tim closed in prayer at 5:33 pm.

Task	Lead	Due
Preschool meeting to review council recommendations	Jon and Pastor Chris	
Financial update letter to congregation	Jon	9/22/20
Determine funding for former PPP positions	Council	9/22/20