

Board Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2019

Attendance

✓ Bob Krawetzki	✓ Jerrie Krawetzki	✓ Martha Thompson	✓ Pr. Ann
✓ Karen Munsterman, Tr	□ Darlene Janka	✓ Millie McCready/ Tim Schwanger	✓ Steve Lippert, President
✓ Cathy Wobser, Sec	✓ Lori Schlick, VP	✓ Deanna Ridenour	□
✓ Michelle Schaffer	□ Jan TerVeen	✓ Jane Ann Cummings.	□

Call to order/ approve agenda: President Steve called the meeting to order and asked for additions or changes to the agenda.

Introduction of Guests: No guests

Devotions: Lori's Holy Week devotion based on John 12:3 was "A Pound Of Pure Nard".

Secretary's Report: All received email copies. A motion to accept as corrected was made by Deanna, second by Lori. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: All received email copies. A motion to accept as corrected was made by Cathy, second by Millie. Passed. Treasury Balance is \$3,267.49.

STANDING REPORTS

JOY Time: No expenses to submit. An Easter craft and Holy Week were the theme. Deanna Ridenour donated the evening snacks.

Lifetree Café: One new attendee. Karen shared the program topics.

Giving Garden: The planting date is May 18th at 9am at St. John's. Rain date is May 25 at 9am. More hands are always welcomed. President Steve suggested two new standing reports be added. Representative reports and Special reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

Firelands Spiritual Care Volunteer: No report.

Prayer for You: No report.

Firelands Peace University: As requested, Cathy researched. The program provides financial training through a series of 9-videos. The cost of the program is \$129 per person which includes access to the videos, a workbook, online support, and various other booklets. There are churches in the area offering the program. The option remains to have a representative speak to the Board. Cathy did the research on the program, but will not take the lead. No board member volunteered to take the project on at this time. The Board hopes to find ways to gain short-term support from both the board and at the congregational level.

Senior Prom: Cathy, Sally Warner, Jane Ann and Millie met over the last month to work on details and a budget. Deanna motioned to approve a budget not to exceed \$150. Jerrie second and motion passed. Cathy passed out fliers and asked each representative to post with a signup sheet. The public is invited. Jane Ann is preparing a Temple Talk to be shared.

Insurance update: Karen shared information with the Board. Discussion followed. Alternatives will be explored before the next payment is due.

Audit: No date set.

Burn Pits: As requested, Cathy reported she contacted Susan Zeier the local woman working to get the government to address burn pits and to help the Veterans negatively affected by them. The Senate Veterans Affairs Committee agreed to a congressional hearing. Susan provided information for a letter and phone campaign to our congressional representatives. No board member volunteered to take the project on at this time. The Board hopes to find ways to gain short-term support from both the board and at the congregational level.

2019 Budget: The Board discussed and revised the budget. A motion to approve the 2019 budget was made by Jerrie, second by Lori. Motion approved. Discussion followed on the funding request letter. Deanna motioned, Bob second, to revise the letter requesting only \$100 per congregation and eliminating the per member cost for this year. Motion passed. Karen and Steve will compose a letter to send with the request.

NEW BUSINESS:

Habitat for Humanity: Jerrie has a speaker. Sue Lucht will be invited to speak at the May meeting.

Chicken/Goats/ Farm: Steve asked the Board to think about the possibilities if all of our congregations worked on one project such as the ELCA Good Gifts. Discussion followed. Several churches have other current projects or projects laid out for the year. Some have sponsored Good Gifts for Lent. The Board liked the idea of focusing on a joint project whether it is ELCA Good Gifts, building wells, mosquito nets, etc. Pr. Ann will discuss with our pastors and the Board can plan the project for 2020 to allow our congregations to plan.

Teen Opportunities: Cathy shared two items from NWOS. Fall into Lakeside is a 2night/3 day youth weekend for middle and high schoolers that will be held October 4th-6th. Capital University is hosting a Summer Discernment Experience July 7th-13th called "Sustain the Flame". \$100 includes housing, meals, and activities.

Adjourn: Motion by Bob, second by Karen. Motion passed. **Next meeting:** May20, 2019 at St. John's. **Devotions:** Cathy

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND FLAME CHURCH NEWS:

Saturday, May 4th: Grace, **Perennial Plant Sale**, 8:30-noon. Donate or purchase. All proceeds go to Grace's Table.

May 9th: St. Paul, **JOY Time**, 6-7:30pm, a night of Christian Fellowship for adults with developmental disabilities.

Thursday, May 9th: **Lifetree Café**, Zion, Huron 7-8pm "An Immigrant in the Sanctuary"

Saturday, May 18th: **Giving Garden** planting date. 9am, just south of St. John's parsonage. Rain date: May 25th 9am.

Sunday, May 19th: **"Seniors" Prom** for our senior citizens. 2-4 at Trinity. Handicap accessible.

Sunday, May 19th: **Chicken BBQ**, St. Peter 11:30-1pm

Sunday, May 19th: **Organ Recital** by Chase Castle, St. Peter's, 4pm

Monday, May 20th: St. John's **FLAME Board** meeting 7pm

Thursday, May 23: **Lifetree Café**, Zion, Huron 7-8pm "An Encounter with God."

June 17-21: Zion, Huron, **Summer Day Camp** with LOMO. See the website for registration forms.

July 7th-13th: Capital University **Summer Discernment Program** "Sustain the Flame" designed for high School students. Cost:100

September 8th: St. John's Rally Day. **Bishop Beaudoin** will preach the sermon.

October 4th-6th: Fall into Lakeside **Youth weekend**.

November 6th: **National Day of Pray**