**OUR SAVIOUR’S LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**ANNUAL MEETING**

**JANUARY 22, 2023**

**Call to Order:** 11:06 am by Bob Tardiff, Council President

**Opening Prayer:** Pastor Martin Moore

**Establish Quorum:** Becky Chambers. Attendance Count: 69. A quorum is 29 members; therefore, a quorum has been met.

**Approval of the Minutes from the January 2022 Annual Meeting**: Becky Chambers. Hard copies of the minutes were provided. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Karin Davis and seconded by Cheryl Pontious. All were in favor; motion carried.

**Pastor’s Report: Pastor Martin Moore**. Pastor thanked everyone for their support. His report is available on Page 6 of the written report.

**Audit Committee Report:** Pam Arntt. The audit report contained no significant findings. Pam thanked the members of the committee, which included Launa Tardiff, Jan Moch and Pam Arntt. Joe Coke made a motion to accept the Audit Committee Report. Blaine Davis seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report – 2022 Results, 2023 Budget, Approval of the categorization of selected designated funds:** Chris Burris, Council Treasurer. Our congregation was very generous! We were able to stay within our budget with total income exceeding projections! The excess money in the Operations Account will be moved to our Money Market Account. The 2023 budget continues to reflect our commitment to tithing 10% of our income to Benevolence. Salaries will increase by 8.7%. Property expenses are expected to have the largest increase due to anticipated A/C expenses.

Jim Anthony made a motion that the 2023 budget be accepted. Joe Coke seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried.

Chris discussed the recommendation made by the council to consolidate or eliminate selected Dedicated Fund Accounts. The purpose of the changes is to simplify the bookkeeper’s job and OSLC’s Balance Sheet. Some of the remaining accounts will be renamed to be more descriptive. All accounts impacted had the same general purposes and will continued to be used for those purposes. Most have been on the books for a long time with no usage. Original donors could not be located. The accounts impacted are:

* Handbells and Purrington Music Maintenance will be consolidated into Purrington Music Maintenance.
* Campership, Playground, LYG Fundraisers, Youth Retreats and a designated portion of Miscellaneous will be combined into a fund renamed Youth.
* Hispanic Ministry and Tyler Hispanic Ministries will be combined into Hispanic Ministry.
* The AV Equipment Remaining Balance, will be eliminated by allocating $1,000 to Disaster Recovery and the balance moved to the Money Market Account.
* Darning Ladies, (group no longer meets) will be eliminated by writing a check to OSLC Quilters.

Carol Lattier made a motion that the proposed changes to Dedicated Funds accounts be approved. Cheryl Pontious seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried.

**Unfinished Business: Bob Tardiff.** There was no Unfinished Business to discuss.

**New Business**

**Potential Sale of the Church Van: Bob Tardiff.** The council made a recommendation to sell the church van. The van is 21 years old, needs repairs, has had low usage in recent years and isn’t accessible to older members or those with limited mobility. Comments were received from Bailey Storkson regarding the impact on our ability to grow the youth program and comradery of youth going place in the same vehicle; Joe Coke regarding inability to rent vans in Tyler and the high cost of doing so, along with what appears to be extraordinarily high cost of repair estimates; and Bill Videtto regarding the generally good running condition and the good interior condition.

The vote regarding the sale of the van, along with the vote on council members, were in paper form. However, some ballots were inadvertently collected prior to the van sale discussion. The previous ballots collected were destroyed and new ballots distributed.

**Election of Audit Committee Members: Bob Tardiff.** Nominated were Launa Tardiff, Pam Arntt and Jan Mock. A motion to approve the slate of nominees was made by Joni LeBlanc and seconded by Joe Coke. All were in favor; motion carried.

**Election of Nominating Committee Member: Bob Tardiff.** Nominated were Erin Henriksen, Helen Siebert, Alan Cumming, Jenny Videtto, Merry Burris and Kristin Blaise. A motion to approve the slate of nominees was made by Joni LeBlanc and seconded by Sherry Towns. All were in favor; motion carried.

**Report of the Nominating Committee and Election of Church Council Members: Bill Videtto.** Bill thanked the Nominating Committee for their work on selecting an excellent slate of six new members to the church council. Nominated were Bob Tardiff, Carmen Nazario, Jerry Redman, Roger Stai, Amy Norris and Glory Gopinath.

**Ballots were collected and counted.** The result of the vote on council members was the unanimous election of the six new council members. The vote regarding sale of the church van was approved by a vote of 50 to 9.

**Closing Prayer: Pastor Martin Moore.**

**Adjournment: Bob Tardiff** at 11:59 am

Submitted by Becky Chambers, Council Secretary