

CGSLC Council Meeting Minutes
Sunday, July 15, 2018 @ 11:45 a.m.

Attend: Theo, Jean, Rebecca, Joe, Tom, Susan, Chuck, Kevin, Bob, Pr. Manda, Laurie
Excused:

Agenda Topics

1. Devotions
 - a. Pr. Manda led a devotion in which each council member shared a little about themselves and the ways they proclaim, welcome, and serve
2. Approve addition of Tom S. to council through end of year
 - a. M/S/C
3. Approved Agenda
 - a. was M/S/C as written
4. Approve June meeting minutes
 - a. was M/S/C as written
5. Stewardship update (Kevin)
 - a. Finance committee is going to find a new accountant to contract with CGS
 - b. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to ask the finance team in conjunction with the personnel committee to begin a search for someone to take over the accountant position
 - c. Kevin said that general giving and investment income are now dipping below previous years' level
6. Discussion topics
 - a. Calendar clarification (November council meeting & congregational meeting)
 - i. Theo mentioned that we could have the council meeting the week before the congregational meeting (on Nov. 11th instead of Nov. 18th) so that we are prepared and so that the 18th is not an excessively long day
 - ii. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to make this change
 - b. Retreat plans
 - i. To be good stewards of resources, we will not have an away retreat; it will be local, on Friday, August 17th and Saturday, August 18th
 - ii. Theo encouraged the council to gather input from the congregation to help plan for next year; for example, material for SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats)
 - iii. Each person on council will be asked to be in charge of a different aspect of the retreat

- c. Christ Community Church
 - i. In July CCC is having a special event on July 29th, so we will have coffee in the narthex on that Sunday
 - ii. The CCC pastors are realizing that the fourth Sunday is probably not the best Sunday, so they are reevaluating
- d. Silicon Valley Pride
 - i. Someone is needed to lead our participation this year

7. Pastor's report

- a. There have been around 10 visitors since Lent who have made connections; Pr. Manda is now planning to tell us on the council everything like this, so that we can spread the information around; it would be really helpful for us on council to introduce ourselves to these folks and ask them if we can put their information on Breeze if they are comfortable with that
- b. One new visiting couple has asked Pr. Manda to officiate their wedding.
- c. We had one baptism today and we have another on August 19th
- d. Susan will do sewing and embroidery to make new baptismal cloths
- e. We would like someone to help make baptismal candles for future baptisms
- f. Pastor Manda shared a number of pastoral concerns and events that the council was invited to engage the congregation in.
- g. There will be liturgy planning groups starting in Advent of this year

8. Closing prayer

- a. Jean closed the meeting with prayer

Addendum

See attached reports

Upcoming Events

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| ● Thursdays | Game Night & 5:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. |
| ○ July 19th | Council night at Game Night |
| ● August tbd | Executive Committee meeting @ 7:00 p.m. |
| ● August 17-18 | Council Retreat |
| ● September 4 | Executive Committee meeting @ 7:00 p.m. |
| ● September 16 | Council Meeting @ 11:45 a.m. |

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Building Our Future Report

The Listening Phase Task Force is finalizing a date for the kick-off meeting by end of July. The Ministry Assessment Profile (MAP) is targeted for member input during September. The search for a new architect has begun with the goal of selecting a new firm by early Fall.

Constitution Task Force Report

The Task Force is working individually on comparing the current CGSLC Constitution and the current model constitution of the ELCA. They'll make notes and gather in August to compare and draft the new CGSLC Constitution. A CGSLC review team will revise/edit in September, along with the council. The goal is to present to the congregation in 2019.