

Minutes of Council Meeting

Elk River Lutheran Church - ELCA

The ERLC Council held a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 via ZOOM.

Call to Order

President Sarah Chur called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Devotions by Kari Christianson. Roll Call: Jenny Stanley, Sarah Chur, Kari Christianson, Michele Smith, Pastor Nathan Mugaas, Intern Pastor Jeremy Hallquist, Ron Stricker, Dave Katzner, Ruth Lemke, Mark Johnson, Sue Hales

ERLC Congregation Member Comments and Council Listening Session

At this time visitors to the meeting are welcome to present information of interest. The members of ERLC Council will receive such input with comments and will not discuss or act relative to any items brought forth at this meeting. The ERLC Council may direct consideration of presented information at subsequent meetings.

President Sarah Chur was not notified of anyone with information to present.

Action items

- Motion to approve the minutes of the April 20 ERLC Council meeting was made by Dave Katzner and seconded by Jenny Stanley. All approved, motion carried.
- Motion to approve the April finance report prepared by Treasurer John Auel made by Kari Christianson and seconded by Michele Smith. All approved, motion carried.
- Motion to use the budget surplus, as a result of the Paycheck Protection Program, as follows - \$4500 to Lutheran Disaster Response, \$11,225 to the Community Outreach Fund, and \$19,100 to the Reserved Savings account made by Jenny Stanley and seconded by Kari Christianson. All approved, motion carried.
- Motion to approve up to \$2000 out of the Community Outreach Fund to be used to pay Rachel Kurtz to lead a Sunday worship service and then perform a concert Sunday evening, date to be determined, made by Jenny Stanley and seconded Mark Johnson. All approved, motion carried.

Discussion items

- Ron Stricker shared information from the Minneapolis Synod Assembly.
- The staff has been discussing the how and when to return to indoor worship. They are moving toward a plan for limited indoor service in July while continuing with outdoor services. Funerals were discussed.
- Taylor Quinn, Director of Music Ministry and Worship, will be searching for an accompanist.
- Bea Bastyr will not be our regular accompanist as she will commit to working with Holy Trinity Episcopal. Think about a way to honor and celebrate her contribution to our church.

President Sarah Chur adjourned the meeting at 8:15. Kari Christianson closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Hales, secretary