

St. Paul's Lutheran Church - Board of Directors Meeting Minutes July 6, 2020 (via conference call)

2020 St. Paul's Board of Directors present:

Zac Huffman, Tom Cook, Bernice Prescott, Cyndie Dixon, Jen Houck, Diane Segelhorst, Pastor Dave, Pastor Teklu

Not present: Rick Wood

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m.

Opening prayer was offered by Pastor Dave, asking God to keep us focused on our faith and our mission as a church and seeking an extra measure of His Spirit for our transition to a new pastor.

The minutes of the June 30, 2020 BoD meeting were approved as presented.

Pastor's Report:

1. Pastor Dave provided an update on information concerning Pastor Tom Krepps. He reported that the funeral arrangements are not finalized; the service will be at the funeral home. Mrs. Andrea Krepps will provide details when they are available. Pastor Krepps had been ill, but no significant event preceded his passing. Prayers are requested for Andrea Krepps and the family. A message concerning Pastor Krepps' passing will be sent to the congregation this evening, in the event some have not received the news.
2. Pastor Dave reported on the Closure Meeting and Exit Interview, both of which were held on July 2. He is preparing a summary of salient information for release to the congregation.
3. Pastor Dave will provide coverage during the week of July 6, including pastoral care and wrap-up activities. He expressed appreciation for Sunday's worship service and activities and his thankfulness for the opportunity to have been at St. Paul's these 13 months.
4. Pastor Teklu will have an initial meeting with the worship team on July 7, at 10:00 a.m., for a general discussion concerning what they need from him at this point.

Open Items from Last Meeting:

1. Live streaming was used for the July 5 service and will be used for the July 12 service as well.
2. Zac spoke to Charlton and approved his request for ensemble practice in the parking lot; this will occur during early evening hours and will involve 5 to 6 youth weekly for the summer.
3. A meeting will be held in mid-July, on a date to be determined, concerning the return of outside groups for use of St. Paul's facilities.
4. The July newsletter was sent to the congregation on July 3, 2020.
5. St. Paul's photo directory will be updated in early August.

Current Agenda Items:

1. Pastor Teklu's Ordination & Installation service will be held on July 12, 2020; a full house is expected, and the fellowship hall will be used for overflow seating. Pastor Teklu's call acceptance letter was received on July 1, 2020.
2. A congregational meeting will be held on July 26, 2020 (in person and via Zoom), immediately after the worship service. Financial and committee reports will be presented but there will be no budget revision proposed.
3. Reopening Ad-Hoc Planning Committee report was presented.
 - a. A walk-through was conducted with Pastor Juan of LifeBridge on July 1. The meeting went well and Pastor Juan confirmed that his congregation will be responsible for cleaning before their use. Cover All resumed their cleaning services the night of July 3.
 - b. A report has been prepared following the service of July 5. Issues that were noted will be resolved, including the reminder that the congregation is not to sing with the hymns and resolution of problems with the volume of the speakers. The picture quality was not as good as desired, but this may be improved moving forward. Remote listeners had mixed comments; some were satisfied and some were not. There are concerns going forward for those who have no internet access but only telephone.
 - c. For the July 12 service, some people will be assigned to seating in the fellowship hall if there are insufficient volunteers.
 - d. For July 12 only, the SED has authorized live streaming of the consecration of the elements for communion.
 - e. We may want to consider using the fellowship hall for overflow seating for the remainder of the summer.
4. Based on the Concordia plan stipulations, retirement and disability coverage was approved for the required employee not yet covered. Discussion of salary adjustments was tabled until the next meeting.
5. Service Views:

- March 29: 118	April 9: Maundy Thursday - 40	April 19: 52
- April 1: 29	April 10: Good Friday - 37	April 26: 43, 44
- April 5: 104	April 12: Easter - 42	May 3: 38
- May 10: 28	May 17: 36	May 24: 34
- May 31: 34	June 7: 25	June 14: 36
- June 21: 34	June 28: 43	
- July 5: (47 in person, 26 live stream, 4 audio): 77		

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bernice Prescott, Secretary