

First Lutheran Church (FLC), Marshall, MN
Women of First Lutheran Board of Directors Meeting
4/1/15– 5:15 pm – First Lutheran Church

Members Present: Bobbie Carmody, Shirley Anderson-Porisch, Corlys Knudson, DeAnna Zimmer, Karen Murphy, Shirley Bruns, Marissa Kunde, Dawn Planting, Audrey Norris, Lorraine Schmidt, Erin Moline

Members Absent: Ruth Quist, Vicki Lamprecht, Pam Larsen, Kathy Tjosaas, Pam Neet

Call to Order

Corlys called the First Lutheran Women's Board Meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Acceptance of Agenda

Motion by Audrey, seconded by Shirley A.P. to approve the agenda with the addition of Faith Message Sign-Up and Beth Moore Event. Motion passed unanimously.

Acceptance of the March 4, 2015 Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the 3/4/15 board of directors meeting were reviewed. Motion by Dawn, seconded by Karen, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report Review and Acceptance

The financial report as of 3/31/15 was distributed with balances of the checking accounts and savings account being reviewed. It was noted additional funds are available if needed for the cost of the tables and chairs if there is a shortage after the fundraiser. A more detailed description of what makes up the savings account balance was requested and will be clarified at a later date. It was also noted that all funds are at Wells Fargo Bank. Motion by Karen, seconded by Shirley B., to approve the financial report as of 3/31/15 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Tables & Chairs for Fellowship Hall Update

Corlys indicated an additional Council meeting was held where support was given to the Women to proceed with fundraising for the tables and chairs. 30 tables have been ordered through Maxwells and fundraising for the chairs has begun. Approximately \$7,150 dollars was raised the first week of fundraising. Information will continue to be inserted in the bulletins and Parish Visitor regarding the fundraising project.

Constitution Revision

A Women's General Meeting is scheduled on Sunday April 12th where the proposed amendments of the Women's Constitution will be presented and voted upon. Shirley A.P. indicated proposed amendments were shared with each Circle.

Prairie Conference Spring Gathering

The Prairie Conference Spring Gathering is scheduled on Friday, April 24th. A special thank you to those who have volunteered to serve. It was suggested to wear First Lutheran t-shirts in an effort to identify we are hosts and if anyone has questions. The theme of the conference is Girls, Growth, and God with special music being provided by the praise team and led by Kim Christianson. Lunch will be served – croissants, salad (pasta), and desserts. Set up and the decorating of tables will be done on Thursday, April 23rd beginning at

4:30. Discussion was held regarding the offering from First Lutheran to the Prairie Conference. Motion by Karen, seconded by Shirley A.P., to give a monetary offering of \$75.00 to the Spring Prairie Conference. Motion passed unanimously. An in kind donation is also being accepted. A list of items will be sent out to all women of First Lutheran through the April ENews message. Discussion also was held regarding the cost of registration (\$10.00) for First Lutheran Women who attend the conference. Motion by Karen, seconded by Dawn, that women who work at and attend the conference from First Lutheran be responsible for their own registration fee. Motion passed unanimously.

SW MN Synod Women of the ELCA

The SW MN Synod Women of the ELCA meeting is scheduled on June 19&20 at the University of MN Morris. The Theme is Repair, Rebuild, Restore. A voting delegate from First Lutheran will attend with the Women paying for the \$75.00 registration fee. An in kind offering will also be collected and will consist of Lutheran World Relief Kits and Christian Literature. Further discussion regarding the synod meeting and voting delegate will be held at the May Women's board meeting.

Faith Messages

Open slots for the monthly faith messages were distributed and included the months of September, November, and December. Karen reminded everyone that you don't have to write your own if you are not comfortable but can share a devotion from devotion books or anything else you have seen on Facebook, the Internet, etc.

Women's Ministry Training

A Beth Moore's women's ministry training is scheduled on August 28-29, 2015 at the Fargo Dome in Fargo, ND if anyone is interested in attending.

Summer Bible Studies

Ideas for the format of summer bible studies are being welcomed!

Summer Retreat

Suggestions and ideas for the Summer Women's Retreat are being accepted. A committee was formed (Corlys, Dawn, Karen) to help with the planning of this event. A tentative date of July 23rd has been scheduled with a suggestion to have it in town and onsite at church. More details and ideas regarding the event will be brought back to the May board meeting for discussion.

The next meeting of the First Lutheran Women Board of Directors is scheduled on May 4, 2015, beginning at 5:15 p.m. in the Movie Room.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bobbie Carmody, Secretary