

First Lutheran Church (FLC), Marshall, MN
Women of First Lutheran Board of Directors Meeting
5/6/15– 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, Lorraine Schmidt, Ruth Quist, Vicki Lamprecht, Pam Larsen, Kathy Tjosaas, Pam Neet

Members Absent: Audrey Norris, Erin Moline

Call to Order

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

Devotions and Prayer

Ruth provided the devotion on 1st John: 7-21 which focuses on how we need to continue to love as love comes from God. God is love and when we love, we live in Him and He is in us. We cannot know God if we don't love as He loved us and sent His son to take away our sins so we need to love one another as He loved us.

Acceptance of Agenda

Motion by Vicki, seconded by Marissa to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Review and Acceptance of April 1, 2015 Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the 4/1/15 board of directors meeting were reviewed. Motion by Ruth, seconded by Dawn, to approve the minutes with the correction of next meeting date being May 6th and not May 4th as listed. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report Review and Acceptance

The financial report as of 4/30/15 was distributed with balances of the Women's and Quilter's checking accounts and Women's savings account being reviewed. A bill for \$15.00 for materials needed to make the table runner for the Quilt auction was presented for payment. Motion by Dawn, seconded by Kathy, to approve the payment of \$15.00 out of the quilter's checking to Marissa for table runner materials. Motion passed unanimously. Shirley A.P. indicated she will deliver the table runner and another quilt to Shetek. Motion by Shirley A.P, seconded by Shirley B., to approve the financial report as of 4/30/15 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Report on the Constitution Revisions – General Meeting – April 12, 2015

Proposed revisions to the Constitution were presented at the April 12th Women's General Meeting and were approved. Minutes of the meeting will be filed with the revised constitution.

Update on New Tables & Chairs for Fellowship Hall

The new tables for the Fellowship Hall have arrived and are set up. A report on financial contributions for the project was reviewed and discussed. As of April 19th, \$13,290.00 was in the account (which included \$2,603.00 from the Women's savings account). Additional deposits of \$2,027 (previous Rally Day dollars); \$1,521 (Women's Choir monies); and \$700.00 were received which equaled a grand total of \$17,538.00 of

funds available as of 4/27/15. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$20,189.59 which is a shortage of \$2,651.59. Discussion followed and questions were raised regarding designated funds of the women's savings account. Motion by Pam N., to pay for the remaining cost of the project from the women's savings account and if additional dollars are donated, reimburse the savings account as needed. Motion was withdrawn. Motion by Pam L., seconded by Marissa, to approach the congregation again for donations for chairs, and if donations do not meet the amount yet due, a recommendation will be brought forth to the Women's board to consider regarding donating additional funds from the Women's savings account. Motion passed unanimously.

Review of the Prairie Conference Spring Gathering

A thank you was extended to all who assisted and volunteered with the Prairie Conference Spring Gathering held on Friday, April 24th. The conference went very well with lots of items being donated and compliments being made regarding our beautiful church and narthex.

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. A voting delegate from First Lutheran needs to be selected. Dawn, Corlys, and Karen, indicated they are interested in attending. The cost is \$75.00 for the registration fee and \$20.00 for lodging. Motion by Karen, seconded by DeAnna, to nominate Dawn as the voting delegate for the SW MN Synod Women of the ELCA meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Shirley A.P., seconded by Kathy, that First Lutheran Women pay the voting delegate's registration and lodging expenses as presented. Motion passed unanimously. An in kind offering will also be collected and will consist of Lutheran World Relief Kits and Christian Literature. A box will be put in the narthex to collect donations. It was also mentioned that a \$75.00 scholarship is available for others who are interested in attending and learning more about the Women of the ELCA.

Report on Summer Bible Studies

Summer bible studies from the Gather Magazine have been scheduled and will be held Wednesday June 10th; Wednesday July 8th; and Wednesday August 12th from Noon-1:00 p.m. Pastor Scott and Pastor Julie will lead the studies.

Report on Summer Retreat

The Summer Retreat is tentatively scheduled on Thursday, July 23rd. Possible theme is Rest, Refresh, and Faithfulness. Suggested topics include healing oils of the Bible and Laughter and/or Restorative Yoga. A light supper will be served at 5:00 p.m. with the program beginning at 6:00 p.m. Motion by Karen, seconded by Shirley A.P., to schedule the Summer Retreat on July 23rd at First Lutheran, based on church availability, and to continue with plans and topics for the Retreat as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

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.

Ascension Day Brunch

The Ascension Day Brunch is scheduled on Thursday, May 14th beginning at 9:30 a.m. at Hope Lutheran in Minneota. If interested in attending, meet at the church at 8:45 a.m.

FLW Board Elections/Terms

Elections are due for the position of Vice President, Secretary, Community & Growth Co Chairs, and Funeral. Current member terms that are up include Shirley A.P., Bobbie, Vicki, Lorraine, Marlene, and Kathy. Motion by Karen, seconded by Pam N., to have Kim Christensen assist with contacting individuals for open positions. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the First Lutheran Women Board of Directors is scheduled on June 3 2015, beginning at 5:15 p.m. in the Movie Room.

The meeting adjourned at 6:22p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bobbie Carmody, Secretary