

First Lutheran Women of the ELCA Board of Directors Meeting
June 6, 2018 – First Lutheran Church, Marshall

Present: Karen Murphy, Ruth Quist, Shirley Anderson-Porisch, Corlys Knudson, Bobbie Carmody, Dawn Planting, Sue DeSaer, Kim Christianson, DeAnna Zimmer, Shirley Bruns, Pam Russell

Absent: Erin Moline, Ruth Quist

Call to Order

Dawn Planting, Co-President, called the First Lutheran Women's Board of Directors' Meeting to order at 5:22 p.m.

Agenda Approval:

The agenda was accepted as presented.

Devotions:

Dawn Planting provided the devotion and reflected on vacation bible school and the story of baptism and temptation. Baptism begins your faith journey and with God's help and family, your faith journey continues into confirmation, affirming your faith, and then continues on throughout your whole life.

Secretary's Report

The minutes from the May 2, 2018 First Lutheran Women's Board Meeting were reviewed and accepted as presented. Board members also shared names of individuals to contact to serve on the FLW Board.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report as of 5/31/18 was reviewed with fund balances for Quilting at \$593.97; Savings at \$16,095.41; and Checking at \$4,634.51. Pam Russell requested reimbursement for check blanks, address labels, and envelopes. Motion by Shirley Anderson-Porisch, seconded by Sue DeSaer to reimburse Pam Russell \$111.09 for check blanks, address labels, and envelopes. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Kim Christianson, seconded by DeAnna Zimmer, to approve the Treasurer's Report as of May 31, 2018 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Kitchen Report

Kim Christianson and Shirley Anderson-Porisch will check inventory of supplies and will order as needed.

Funeral Committee Report

Since the last board meeting, one funeral was held but no lunch service was requested.

Council Report

Corlys provided a report from the last church council meeting and provided information on First Lutheran Women activities which included honoring Audrey Norris for her years of services, the Synodical Convention scheduled and offering provided with First Lutheran scheduled to host in 2019, the Ascension Day Brunch held on May 10, Rejoice Bible Study is having coffee over the summer on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday in the morning, summer women's retreat planning, the Prairie Conference was held on April 21 with nine individuals attending, crosses for 2018 graduates were purchased and distributed, and kitchen priorities. The Council also discussed decorating of the Sanctuary, the status of an interim pastor, and AEDs were purchased and installed.

Synodical Convention

The Synodical Convention is scheduled on June 29-30 at Bethlehem Lutheran in St. Cloud. The in-kind offering of Soles 4 Souls along with white socks and lip balm for the Veterans Home in St. Cloud will be packaged up on Wednesday, June 27 at 5:15 p.m. at First Lutheran and delivered to the convention. To date, four individuals will

be attending the convention.

Christmas Gathering Speaker

Corlys contacted Julie Clark Lingen regarding availability to speak at the annual Christmas Gathering on December 1. She is available and charges \$150.00 plus mileage and also shares her book. Motion by Karen Murphy, seconded by Shirley Anderson Porisch, to contract with Julie Clark Lingen for up to \$250.00 (stipend/mileage) as the keynote speaker of the Annual Christmas Tea on December 1. Motion passed unanimously. It was also suggested to have her speak at the assisted living center in the afternoon of December 1. Dawn indicated she will research that option.

Summer Bible Study

It was suggested to have the Summer Bible Study at Shalom Hills Farms in Windom on July 25. The study will consist of three lessons and a tour. Dawn and Corlys will contact them to schedule and will provide information regarding the study in the bulletin, monthly newsletter, Enews, etc.

Committee Work

It was suggested to form committees over the summer to work on specific items to strengthen the work of First Lutheran Women. Possible Committees include Constitution Committee (Shirley, Corlys, Dawn, Bobbie), Budget Committee (Pam, Dawn, Karen), and Kitchen (Dawn will contact Pastor Scott/Shirley A.P., Ruth, Kim can serve as a consultant). Updates of the individual committee's work will be provided at the September board meeting.

Other

Pam asked the Board if they would be interested in participating in the New Horizons Community Garage Sale Fundraiser taking place on July 19th in the First Lutheran Parking Lot. Individuals purchase a parking spot to host their own garage sale. It was asked if First Lutheran Women would be interested in providing refreshments to sell. It was the consensus of the Board to participate and provide coffee, water, popcorn, and possibly cookies from 9:00-3:00 p.m. Please contact Dawn if you are able to help that day.

It was the consensus of the Board to not meet in July and August. The next FLW board meeting will be scheduled in September.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer and blessing – "May the Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent one from the other".

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbie Carmody, Secretary