

Salem Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
February 27, 2022

MSC = The motion was seconded and carried

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Tesdahl.

Council members present: Paul Tesdahl, Warren Balfany, Renee Voller, Peter MacKay, Pastor Amanda Kempthorne, Pastor Mike Briggs, Al Schiffler, Renee Voller

Council members absent: Tracy Perpich, Don Hales, Jena Reed, Mark Boike

Also present: Jason Kempthorne (Director of Outreach), Chuck Lubowitz (Outreach Governing Board Chair), Ruth Blum (Salem's Financial Manager)

Meeting opened with review of Salem's Covenant and prayer by Pastor Amanda

Secretary's Report

- MOTION: to approve the January 27, 2022 Council minutes. MSC.

Treasurer's Report

- Pastor Amanda suggested a bi-monthly report to monitor spending.
- MOTION: to approve the January 2022 financial reports as received electronically.

PASTORS REPORTS

Pastor Mike

- Discussion of wage increases for music staff. No action taken.
- March 2nd is beginning of Lent. Area pastors will rotate preaching on Wednesdays during Lent.

Pastor Amanda

- Redesigning Salem's website
- Communion instruction will be open to all ages.

OUTREACH REPORT (Jason Kempthorne)

- Paperwork is being completed to close out 4 grants.
- Increased advertising budget, will no longer purchase Fair Trade items.
- Discussion of fund-raising for Outreach

Chuck Lubowitz suggested another giving option to be placed on the website.

- MOTION: Add a third option to Simply Giving on Salem's website. MSC.

There were no committee reports.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Use of masks in Worship was discussed.

- MOTION: to continue requiring masks during worship through March 27, 2022. MSC.

Reviewed updated Weather Cancellation Policy

- MOTION: to approve Salem's Weather Cancellation Policy. MSC.

NEW BUSINESS

Financial Manager, Ruth Blum, addressed the Council regarding storage for financial reports. There would be no extra cost.

- MOTION: to use Cloud-Based storage for storage. MSC.
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Deerwood Sesquicentennial request to participate in Ecumenical Worship July 10

- MOTION: participate and offer to host worship. MSC. Pastor Amanda follows up.

MOTION: to adjourn the meeting. MSC.

Submitted by
Al Schiffler *for Jena Reed*