

Underwood Lutheran Church
Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes

January 27, 2019

The annual meeting of the Underwood Lutheran Church congregation was held January 27, 2019, following the worship service.

Congregational president, Jessica Hultquist, called the meeting to order at 12:00.

Devotions were led by Pastor Scott Dalen.

President's Report: Jessica Hultquist, congregational president, presented her report.

Secretary's Report: The January 21, 2018, Underwood Lutheran Church Annual Congregational Meeting minutes were read aloud. The June 4, 2017, Underwood Lutheran Church Special Congregational Meeting minutes were read aloud. Both by Jessica Hultquist.

Moved by Mike Shelton to approve the January 21, 2018, Underwood Lutheran Church Annual Congregational Meeting minutes. Seconded by Linda Merdinger. Motion carried.

Moved by Lynn Leaders to approve the June 4, 2017, Underwood Lutheran Church Special Congregational Meeting minutes. Seconded by Jay Ackland. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Scott Dalen presented his report. Moved by Arlon Bertelsen to approve the Pastor's Report. Seconded by Carol Yeaton. Motion carried

Financial Treasurer's Report: Mike Shelton presented the Financial Treasurer's Report and clarified the General Fund and Adopt a Bill is for plate collections. No special offerings or earmarked money presented this year. Moved by Jay Ackland to approve the Financial Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Judy Pingel. Motion carried.

Audit Committee Report: Gary Leaders reported that the Audit Committee reviewed the church's various financial reports (contained in the Annual Meeting agenda) and approved each report.

Reviewed the following reports as presented:

Women of the Church Report

Bethany Report

Memorial Fund Report

Reminder that donated displayed items are not labeled with plaques. Discussion around a way to log special giving in public in one location. Jeff Poggensee will take the consideration back to the council.

Education Committee and Sunday School Report

Youth Groups Report

Scrapbooking Report:

Property Committee Report
Endowment Fund Committee Report
Operations Committee Report

Moved by Bob Pingel approve these group and committee reports. Seconded Janet Hedegaard. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Linda Merdinger presented the Treasurer's Report. Motioned by Mike Shelton approve 2018 Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Dick Miller. Motion carried.

Proposed Budget: Council presented the 2019 Proposed Budget.

Motioned by Carol Bertelsen to award \$3000 in scholarships for the 2019-20 school year that would show as line 204 on the 2020 Underwood Lutheran Church Budget. Seconded by Nancy Geise. Motion carried.

Motion by Nadene Trade to change line 105 on 2019 Budget to \$2,500. Seconded by Lavern Leaders. Motion carried.

Brought forth for council to consider review of oversight responsibilities of custodial services and consider review and rebidding for current services provided.

Motion by Gary Leaders to change line 609 on 2019 Budget to \$200 and remove paid advertisement printed in Daily Nonpareil. Seconded by Carol Bertelsen. Motion carried.

Motion by Carol Bertelsen to approve 2019 Amended Budget. Seconded by Nadene Trade. Motion carried.

Election of Council:

Gary Leaders, Diane Stein, and Kathy Darrington were nominated as church council candidates.

Moved by Rhonda Johnson to cease nominations for church council. Seconded by Dick Miller. Motion carried.

Moved Michael Johnson to hold a unanimous ballot to approve Gary Leaders, Diane Stein, and Kathy Darrington as council members. Seconded by Luvern Leaders. Motion carried.

Officers: The following have been nominated to serve elected positions:

Nominating Committee: Jessica Hultquist, Jeff Poggensee, Carol Yeaton.

Auditing Committee: Greg Redshaw, Judy Pingel, and Tracy Shreeves.

Financial Secretaries: Mike and Darlene Shelton

Memorial Fund Treasurer: Jeff Poggensee

Bethany Lutheran Home Delegates: Nancy Geise

Okoboji Camp Representative: Beth Torneten

Thrivent Representative: Jeff Shreeves and Tracy Shreeves

Western Iowa Synod Assembly Delegates: Open

Endowment Committee: Jeff Privia, Bob Pingel

Moved by Sue Hemmingsen to cease nominations for elected officers. Seconded by Carol Miller. Motion carried.

Moved by Janet Hedegaard to hold a unanimous ballot to approve nominated members as officers. seconded by Linda Ackland. Motion carried.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Pastor presented topic brought up of opening of Constitution for review. Pastor looking for 4-5 people to volunteer.

Pastor presented topic brought up of cleansing role. Pastor looking for 2-3 people to review.

Gary Leaders presented topic of establishing minimum requirements to distributing scholarships.

Pastor led the benediction.

Moved by Linda Merdinger to recess the meeting. Seconded by Janet Hedegaard. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Johnson
Underwood Lutheran Church Council Secretary