

Minutes Council April 12, 2011

Attendance: Ed Green (2012), Bill Green (2013), Debbie Kennedy (Treasurer), Peter Kennedy (2011), Ellen Kolarik (2013), Paul Kolarik, Lori Martin (2013), Karen Slinkard (2011), and Pastor Dan Smith

Dinner: Ed Green

Devotions and Prayer: Ellen Kolarik

Old Business

Minutes of March 2011: reviewed and amended – Motion to accept the minutes as amended was moved, seconded and passed unanimously

Financial March: Shared by Debbie Kennedy (Bookkeeper)

	March 2011	Year to date
Income	26,389.22 (Cash in)	
Expenses	31,128.23 (Cash out)	
Cash on hand		47,641.14
Reserve		67,044.83
Deficit with no cash		-19,403.69

Old Business:

Building Task Force: Paul Kolarik presented report.

The task force has done a cost and service comparison of 2 companies and recommended to the council that we select The Enrichment Group to perform the feasibility study and capital campaign. This company was felt to provide the best balance between cost and service. The task force is now working with The Enrichment Group to finalize the terms of the contract.

Timeline

4/28: First meeting of feasibility of study

4/28 - 6/12: 3 events of onsite interviews

6/12: a facilitated forum with the council and building task force

6/25 or 6/26: onsite report of feasibility study

The task force is also evaluating possible architects for the project.

Council Nominating Committee: Several individuals have been identified as possible candidates. Discussion is ongoing.

LCI Credit Card: 1st Northern is working through our application. Ed anticipates we will complete this process next month.

Belfry Council: Council is still looking for an LCI representative to work with Greta Heinemeier and Paul Koehler on the Belfry Council.

New Business:

Easter Breakfast: LCI has an ongoing gap in providing support for this and other major LCI events.

Mother's Day event: Lori Martin is organizing this event.

Education on Planned Giving: Council discussed options to educate the LCI community regarding options for estate planning and planned giving. Ideally this topic would be interwoven with the exploration our mission which will occur with are building readiness program.

Increasing Church Capacity: When the parking lot appears full, it is a deterrent to visitors. Regular reminders to members to park on the street when possible would help decompress the lot. A full appearing sanctuary is also a deterrent to new members. This could be addressed by either adding another service – either evening or in the morning or making the 1st service more attractive with enhanced music or other changes. An evening service on Sunday may attract students especially if paired with a meal.

Pastor Notes:

- 1st Communion training this week with first communion Easter
- Easter Vigil will be celebrated at St Martins – 2 LCI families will be baptized
- Liturgical planning is now meeting regularly – the new format appears to be working well
- Membership classes are planned for the end of May or early June
- Witness and Service – looking for volunteers
- Pastor Dan will be proposing his dissertation April 20. His focus is the Theology of Creation

Meeting Highlights

Target Audience: Congregation

Topic: Need for additional Volunteers for council and Hospitality Committee

Venue: 3 Things and Sunday Bulletin /announcements

Respectfully Submitted by Ellen Kolarik, Secretary