

1. Introduction: Tim (6:38pm)

- a. Kenny D and Courtney D absent from meeting
- b. Council present: Mark B, Tim P, Pr Dan, Karen S, Dan W (quorum)
- c. Others present: Ellen Kolarik, Carey Boyd, Regina Banks
- d. 6:58 - Ralph H arrived
- e. 7:10 Carey B left
- f. 7:15 Adam Z arrived (medical excuse)

2. Approval of Meeting Agenda: Mark (6:40pm)

- a. Mark: Add church internet report as item 10c.
- b. Voting item -- Mark made motion to approve agenda as amended, Dan W seconded, approved 5-0.

3. Prayer/Devotion: Pastor Dan (6:41pm)

4. LCI Safe Parking Program Update: Ellen Kolarik (6:42pm)

- a. All 4 Yolo, a student non-profit reached out. Population served is just students, generally have homes but are not local, long time to drive home.
- b. Ellen submitted a handout with the proposal to work with them.
- c. What LCI needs to do in the near term:
 - i. Create a subcommittee including Council and Safe Heart, Aggie Compass
 - ii. Get a list of LCI volunteers
 - iii. Write letter to inform neighbors
 - iv. Consider installing a "nonpermitted overnight parkers will be towed" -- Tim P has done some of this already
 - v. Get a permit from the city
 - vi. Confirm timing of starts and stop
 - vii. Added by council: reach out to preschool
 - viii. Determine placement of port-a-potty, parking spaces, food locker, picnic table
- d. Question: what is total cost and obligation for the church?
 - i. Ellen: zero, unless we decide to pitch in for picnic table, food locker, snacks
 - ii. Possible permit fee
- e. What rules should we add for our site?
 - i. No drugs, marijuana, no partying
- f. How would this affect the other safe parking site?
 - i. We have had members volunteering there and that would have to continue.
 - ii. Our opening this site could attract the student volunteers from the other site, and we might need to send some volunteers over there.
- g. Pr Dan: How many volunteers from LCI?
 - i. EK: 7 yes, 5 maybe = 12 from survey

- ii. Requires 1, preferably 2, volunteers each day, 7 days a week.
 - iii. The pilot period allows us to try it out for a few months and see how workable it is going to be for the congregation.
- h. Regina: we should double-check our property insurance to make sure the competing insurance doesn't void anything
 - i. Maybe Courtney can look into it?
- i. Regina: What is going to be our response if pushback from neighbors?
 - i. Tim: having a student population would make easier to convince; also zero-tolerance policy toward noise, etc.
- j. Regina: how long to take city permit?
 - i. Ellen to check on that
- k. Mark: maybe we can partner with the Belfry?
- l. Result of discussion: informal opinion is that all present are in favor but this project would best be approved by the new council at the June meeting.

5. Pastor's Report: Pastor Dan (7:15)

- a. No action items

6. Treasurer's Report (7:18)

- a. Item 4: Synod records and ours confirm that our 2025 contributions did not match the budgeted amount. General informal agreement that we should honor this amount, but decided to push this item to the June meeting for the next council to decide, also so the Treasurer can be present to answer questions.
- b. Different options for online/automatic payment laid out in the report. Council to review and discuss/vote at next meeting. Send also to the stewardship committee.

7. President's Report: Tim (7:27)

- a. AED Purchase/Install – Confirm Complete
 - i. Pr. Dan reports that the purchase is pending.
- b. Council member terms ending May 2026 or vacant: Tim, Kathryn, Kenny, Adam, and Judy H
 - i. Review Nominating Committee Report
 - 1. Joey Amrhein (2029)
 - 2. Christine Bruhn (2029)
 - 3. Carey Boyd (2029)
 - 4. Tim Paulson (2028)
 - 5. <vacant> (2028)
 - ii. Voting Item – Recommendation to elect candidates to the Congregation Council. Requested Action: Recommend candidates identified in the nominating committee report to be elected to Congregation Council by the LCI congregation
 - 1. Motion: Karen S to put forward these four candidates on Sunday
 - 2. Second: Dan W

3. Motion passes 7-0
- iii. Electing Congregational Meeting – May 17
 1. Confirm Councilmember roles for election (i.e. creation of ballots, sign-in sheets, counting of ballots, reporting results, etc.)
 2. Will ask Kenny as secretary to do this.
 3. Some council members will be present and can help count.
 4. We should be clear about the one open council slot --- accept nominations from the floor.
- iv. Election of Officers after Electing Meeting (LCI Constitution C11.01)
 1. Officers are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary
- v. New Officers/Council Members begin service June 2026
- c. Pre-planning for Council retreat (typically held in August)
 - i. Set the date as Saturday, August 22
- d. Discuss future Council and Executive Committee meetings (times, dates, etc.)
 - i. Continue with present times.
 1. Exec: first Tuesday at 6:00
 2. Council: second Tuesday at 6:30

8. Hiring of New LCI Employee (7:50?)

- a. Voting Item – Deliberation and action to hire Church Musician and approve compensation. Requested Action: Hire LuAnn Higgs as an LCI employee to the position of Church Musician.
 - i. Pr Dan and Karen Slaybaugh met with LuAnn yesterday and discussed job position and expectations.
 - ii. She is happy here and would like to continue, said yes.
 - iii. \$28/hr = \$225/week.
 - iv. She has someone lined up to play organ.
 - v. People from the choir are going to help out with cantoring/song leading.
 - vi. Voting item: approve LuAnn's hiring as church musician at \$28/hr, not to exceed \$225/week, motion by Karen S; seconded by Ralph H.
 - vii. Passes 7-0.

9. Approval of April Council Meeting Minutes: Mark (7:55?)

- a. Emailed on 5/10 for council review. Post on website after approval.
 - i. Voting Item – Requested Action: Approve minutes as written
 - ii. Mark made motion to accept minutes as written; Seconded Dan W; Passes 7-0.

10. Other Reports (7:57?)

- a. Property Committee Updates (Tim)
 - i. Installation of Communion Railing
 1. To help people who need assistance standing. Not for kneeling.

2. Council discussed and could not think of a railing configuration that will work that doesn't obstruct the area too much.
 3. Idea: Should we have a designated usher to assist people? --- already done in at least one case we know of.
 4. Idea: Install handlebars on walls so that someone who needs help can hold on, like a shower?
 5. Pr Dan to make more clear how to request communion from your seat to make it more normalized.
- ii. New Landscaping Operations Update After Approval of Additional Funds
 1. Tim P introduced landscaper Danny M to Karen Slinkard, who is a master gardener, and they had a good discussion about church grounds.
 2. Tim P has not talked to Danny yet about plans.
 3. Danny working on replacing sprinkler heads to stop leak; mowers need to know and be careful about this (John H?).
 4. Wyatt W making progress on bench construction by bus stop.
- b. Other General Liaison Reports (Education, Worship/Music, Hospitality, Social Justice, Stewardship)
 - i. Worship/music
 1. Taize service (Adam)
 - a. June 7 --- Adam is point person
 2. Rooted service maybe starting in fall
 3. Summer plans: July and early August (Pr Dan 6-week vacation)
 - a. Regina to lead worship services
 - b. Theme will be "Seasons of Creation"
 - c. Regina received a special dispensation from the bishop to preside over communion.
 - d. Bob Willse to be available for pastoral care.
 - c. Church internet report (Mark)
 - i. We are not getting the 5G signal and download/upload speed we expect; it is actually slower than our current DSL service.
 - ii. The phone line (also AT&T) does not work with the new gateway. Mark has contacted AT&T.

11. Other Business:

- a. Continue to post Council agendas/minutes on LCI website
- b. Sunday Property Closer for May: Kenny

Next Executive Meeting: June 2

Next council Meeting: June 9