

All Saints Lutheran Church

4800 All Saints Rd NW
Albuquerque, NM 87120

Church Council

Meeting Minutes – August 22, 2024

6:30pm

Prepared by Megan Barnes, Secretary

Attending: Pastor Kristin Schultz, Pastor Patrick Vandemotter, Denise Winn, Megan Barnes, Tom Becker, Daniel Mazan, Fabian Enriquez, Frank Orton, and Anne Carpenter-Wilson.

Not attending: Kurt Rager, Meredyth Jones, and Lyndi Dittmer-Perry

1. **Meeting Called to Order/Devotion:** Denise called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. and Megan shared an opening devotion with us.
2. **Approval of Consent Agenda:** Denise asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda, including the council meeting minutes for June 27, 2024, the committee reports, and the agenda for the evening. Tom moved to approve the consent agenda, and Anne seconded the motion. Denise called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **Financial Report and Q and A for Dan:**
 - a. Dan reported that Denise, Lyndi, and Dan are all official church signors at the bank.
 - b. Dan also reported that the church continues to spend faster than we bring in money. There is a July deficit of \$3318 for church and preschool.
 - c. Tom is going to inquire about possible solar rebates with Jim Kruger.
 - d. Tom motioned that we send a memo to every standing committee that they are to be reexamining their budgets, be frugal in spending between now and the end of the year, and that any expenses totaling over \$500 as a whole should be approved by the council. Fabian seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.
 - e. An e-mailed memo from the church office to all committee heads informing them of the council budget request was sent out on Monday, August 26th
4. **Sabbatical Update:**
 - a. Pastor Patrick gave a final update on the summer sabbatical.
 - b. Pastor Kristin sent out invitations to a September 8th brunch to discuss summer sabbatical activities for the church and herself. Kristin will talk for 10 to 15 minutes about her summer, and then there will be 5-minute reports from all our major activities of the summer. Denise will discuss the mosaic, and Patrick will discuss Mark Allen Powell.
 - c. On September 1st the congregation will add to the mosaic before it is completed for display.

5. Property Update from Tom:

- a. Kitchen Hood Inspection is complete but will have to be done yearly.
- b. The crown molding repair was completed by M12 construction for \$150, and they also completed the restroom shower panel repair for \$390.
- c. Tom reported that Krysta is a gem and has been indispensable with the south wall damage situation, meeting with people and following up as needed. To continue repair, we need a surveyor's report with a topographic and easements (which Tom estimated to cost \$1000 based on first estimates but is pursuing more). Then an engineer must do a drainage plan for us, and the first estimate Tom received for that was \$3500. Our insurance company will not pay for damage as they consider the flooding an act of God. Tom estimated it may ultimately cost upward of \$10,000.
- d. The property committee sent a wish list to the Development Committee for HVAC, landscaping, and windows needs in the next 3 to 5 years. Tom estimated we will ultimately need \$189,000 for air conditioning, \$126,000 in a long-term program to replace church windows, \$15,000 for landscaping, \$15,000 for contingency, and that we should consider \$40,000 for inflation for a total of \$386,595 in long term project money needs.

6. Constitution Task Force Update

- a. The task force is still on summer break, but by October should have a draft of the new constitution for the council.

7. Coffee with Council Update

- a. The council discussed the notes from the coffee hour and what items required follow up and who would be in charge of that follow up.
- b. We will plan for the next coffee with council in November.

8. New Business

- a. Denise will address any mosaic spending concerns with the congregation.
- b. Krysta has the church blueprints at church digitized for future use.
- c. Thursday, September 26th will be our next council meeting.
- d. This December is the 60th anniversary of the congregation.

9. Future Agenda

- a. Denise will prepare a devotion for our September meeting.

10. Closing Prayers

- a. Kristin provided a closing prayer and Denise adjourned our meeting at 8:11 Develop and deepen students' potential by assisting students as they navigate their education and career pathway, and support students' needs by centering student well-being. pm.