

Minutes for the GHELC Council Meeting
December 11, 2018 Peggy G.'s Home 6:00 p.m.

After a Christmas dinner served by both Peggy's, Peggy Probasco, President, called the meeting to order. **Present were:** Peggy Probasco (President), Bob Brown (Administration Director), Peggy Graving (Secretary), Revonda Stordahl (Treasurer), Cheryl Newhart (Worship Ministry), Julie Corbin (Leadership Ministry), Jerry Aaker (Outreach Ministry), Debra Pascua (Spiritual Growth Ministry), and Pastor Laurie Jungling. Bruce Graving was asked to attend during the discussion of the budget.

3) Additional Agenda Items: Date of next meetings; a stipend for Sue Repola; computer and printer for office; and repair expenses for the parsonage.

4) Pastor Laurie led devotions: Matthew 25:14-30 on being Faithfully and Responsibly Risky.

5) Approval of the Minutes: The minutes of the November meeting were approved with corrections. The special meeting of December 4th minutes were approved as emailed.

6) Financial Report: We reviewed the financial report prepared and emailed by Revonda. Revonda noted that the Creative Factory paid their rent through May of 2019 and reporting of this amount was deferred until the next fiscal year (January, 2019). For the month of November we were in the black by \$2,840.84. The yearly income for the budget is a - \$5,263.69. The financial report was accepted as emailed.

7) Pastor's Report: Pastor Laurie's report is attached. She stated that all spots including the call committee are filled except the position of President and Administration Director. The nominating committee has been and continues to be very diligent in their quest for individuals to fill these spots. Pastor would like us to begin the temple talks. She has asked Jerry to be first. As shown on her report we will have two synod visits. Her activities during the final days of December and January were outlined.

8) Reports:

Peggy P. reported that she had talked with Curt and explained that we do not feel that we can have the Furniture Bank project under our 501c3. Jerry expressed his understanding of the decision; and asked what outreach ministries the church had that required the outreach ministry position on the council. Currently we have the God's Work Our Hands, funeral ministry, the "We deliver" – sack lunch program, the knitters and quilters.

Cheryl moved that we give Sue Repola a \$50 honorarium for the choir assistance that she provides as a thank you. It was seconded and passed.

Julie had researched copiers and was reporting when Revonda said that the church had been given a copier. Julie had also reviewed prices of computers for Mary. It was decided that Julie and Mary would meet with Pastor and call the synod technology support person and get information to help them decide on the computer and possibly a printer that would meet the needs of Mary. It was moved by Bob, seconded and passed that we give Mary, Julie and Pastor Laurie the authority to spend up to \$1200 on a new computer for Mary. Pastor let us know that the synod technology person will come to Gold Hill free of charge if needed to help move membership files and any other critical material that doesn't easily move to the new computer.

Peggy G. reported that she went with Bruce to Steeles to get a package price for a new microwave, dishwasher, washer and dryer for the parsonage. It was moved and seconded that we purchase these appliances. The motion carried. Peggy also reported that she has been working with Lynn Aniksdal to purchase wood blinds for the parsonage. There are fourteen windows on the main floor. It was moved, seconded and carried that blinds be purchased for the parsonage. We will also have the hallway and two bedroom floors measured for carpeting, but will come back to the council with the estimate before any carpeting is purchased. These purchases will come out of the building fund.

Bruce was asked to join the meeting for the discussion of the purposed budget. Revonda passed out the purposed budget with all figures included that she received from the different committees and previous records. It was moved, seconded and after much discussion passed that we give the synod 8% of our offering (both loose and envelope) for the year 2019. We moved \$500 to Children/Youth Programs and \$900 to Camperships. WE discussed bulk mailings and decided to leave the \$500 in budget for this year. Attached is the revised purposed budget as finalized on December 11th.

The meeting was closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Graving, Secretary