

**Redeemer Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
July 20, 2009, 7:00 PM**

Concordia Update – Serrena Westerfield. The process for closure of the school has begun. Parents and churches have been notified of the decision to close. Weekly meetings are being held to work through the process. July staff salaries are barely covered; August is questionable. Unemployment benefits are available to the staff.

Minutes of June Council meeting were accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Financial Statement and Budgeted Expenditures

Pat Haneberg motioned that the \$0.39 be moved from Concordia School to the General Fund. Joy Anderson seconded; approved unanimously.

Etta Mae Hitchcock is still waiting for last billing for the readerboard installation.

Construction fund is listed separately from LCEF loan proceeds because it is mainly donations.

Our Savior Lutheran Church made a \$250 donation for van use. One of the churches which use our building also made a donation.

The van had been vandalized, again, in the church parking lot and needs repair.

June offerings totaled \$11,674.

Etta Mae will look into where the previous \$500 went towards the kitchen upgrade.

Fred Gargiulo motioned that we hold the donations for outside missions and charities in case it is needed for general funds. Al Binder seconded. approved unanimously. June's donations to outside charities have not been sent in yet.

MINISTRY TEAM REPORTS

Elders – Jim Baker wants to be actively involved in the readerboard advertising, though not as the primary contact person. He has built a box for the letters and they are secured at the church. Fred will coordinate this in the absence of available Public Relations team members. As a general rule, he recommends changes of the messages on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Sandy will receive forms (copy attached) and forward them to Fred. The requestor will then be notified of the status. A master calendar will be maintained.

Properties – Al Binder reported that the martial arts class will continue meeting at Redeemer in the preschool three times/week. Consideration will be made for a building use fee.

Two bids have been received for the downstairs kitchen cabinets.

Summerfest wiring in being acquired.

There was discussion about installation of motion-detector light switches in halls and bathrooms. Al will consider this.

Stewardship – There are three people on this team and their first task will be to organize a Stewardship fair for the fall, depending on Pastor's schedule. Jan Shearer asked each person at Council to confirm the members on their team's roster, as there were several people listed who had not agreed to serve on those teams. Joy will check on one person still in question and Jan will finalize the list. Also, for the past couple of meetings, Jan as requested input on a stewardship survey and the ministry fair. Each ministry team has a copy of this info. for review.

Parish Nurse – Paul suggested we add this position as a voting member on the Council. This will require a Constitution/Bylaws revision. Everyone present agreed that until that time, we would

still like for Jonet Schutz to be present at Council meetings. Paul added that this group is considering nutritious cooking classes.

Thrivent – Roy Tulee mentioned that there were 278 bottles of water left from the Thrivent picnic that will be donated to Summerfest.

Summerfest – Pat has the music groups lined up, is lining up help for kids crafts and face painting. Any food or supply receipts should be given to Pat for Thrivent record-keeping.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Shearer