



**Congregation Council Minutes
November 14, 2016**

Meeting begins 7:20

Edits to minutes:

- Devotional
- Finance Report Missing %
 - 20 → 20,000
 - 70 → 70,000

Corrections:

- Expand Facilities in Tanzania
 - Dorm and Volunteer housing
- City of Bellevue defunded EFP
- St. Andrews will do same as C.O.B.
- Photo Directory does not get \$5000 from B & P budget
- Problems with Senior Pastor Report:
 - We are currently [in] a very good position financially
 - In was added
 - Homeless man came [to] service
 - To was added
 - Strike:
 - {Pastor mentioned that OBA will eventually be shutting down}
- Next Meeting was Nov 14th
 - Because the notes were from October

Move to pass Minutes with edits:

- Motion: Art
- Second: Karen



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Installation of Sign:

- Late November early December
- Permit gotten and received

Design Adv. Group:

- Presentation from <<Wulff>> [VIA Architecture]
- Signed Edifice [Construction] estimate costs:
 - Multiple options:
 - Glass
 - Hallway
- They will estimate and help manage expectations
- Models and drawings

Nominating Committee:

- Activated 3 weeks ago
- 10 nominees
- 5 open spots
- Brent Hicks: Chairman
- Lois Nelson
- Kit Bowerman
- Caroline McKenna

Bihar LWR:

- Involves 8 American Lutheran Churches
 - 2 in our synod
 - Trinity
 - Freeland (Whidbey)
- 4 more churches considering



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- Education and welfare may be big projects
- Staff member in NE India
- Bill and Melinda Gates give to LWR
- \$2.5 million grant

Finance Report:

- Flatten means simplify/combine
- \$30,000 check for Bihar
 - Commitment 2017-2018-2019-2020
 - 2-3 year commitment
- \$13,000 from Outreach Endowment Fund
- \$4,000 from Share the Vision, Be the life (has \$3910)
 - Incoming payments
- \$4,700 from Families
- \$21700 Total
- Mix n' Match
 - 4 families
 - \$5880
- \$27580 Total
- \$30020 initial
- 2017 proposed current expense budget
 - Pastor-in-residence
 - Just in case
 - Is not confirmed
 - Separate from 2016 plan
 - Could be distributed differently
 - Subtotal for programs \$58650



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- Custodian supplies because of cleaning service
- 2016 total fund as of November \$940,572.86

Committee Report:

- Communications
 - Memory verses
 - Remembering verses helps
 - Oral communication
- Stewardship
 - Saturday potluck
- Discipleship
 - Discussed Adult discipleship
- Human Resources:
 - PR Manual ready to distribute to staff
- Outreach and servant ministry:
 - Started relationship with Hopelink
 - 5 food banks
 - Plaster house has newsletter
 - 110 children, 48 beds
- Health and Wholeness:
 - Next meeting Dec 11
 - Walk to Wittenberg
 - 500th anniversary of Lutheran Reformation
 - 97 personal care kits
 - Knit Wits more than 100 scarves



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Staff Input:

- Emily:
 - No fire force retreat
 - Storm of the century
 - HR went to Crosswalk
 - 9th-12th go to Holden village
- Will:
 - Advent
 - Concert Dec 18th
- Susan:
 - Goal to have photo directory by December

Senior Pastor Report:

- C.O.B housing
- Wilberton Gateway

Meeting ends at 8:50

Next Meeting December 12th, 2016