

Abiding Savior Council Meeting Minutes
March 18th, 2025

Those present: Ben Schnable, Marilyn :Quarberg, Ellen Zimmerman, Maren Hawkins, Jim Schlotterback, Pastor Ryan, Jackie Peterson, Sheryl Rogge, Karn Matthews, Micky Sonderman, Pam Flint

Those absent: Dawson Blanck, Jenny Burgers

Call to order: Ben Called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm

Opening Devotions: Pastor Ryan led the devotions on the season of Lent. It is a time of reflection on the sacrifice of Jesus in preparation for Easter. We give our burdens to Jesus.

Approval of February Meeting Minutes: Micky made a motion to accept the minutes, second by Karn; minutes approved.

Financial Update: Ben submitted the treasurer's report. He highlighted that we are currently lower than we were at this time last year. Pastor Ryan shared that the transition between Sally and Lisa is going well.

Pastor's Report: Ryan submitted a written report.

Business/Action Items:

- Call Committee Update -Ellen shared that they met with a candidate that they really liked. She is a very thoughtful person, and they were excited about her approach and how she likes to work with people. They formulated their questions from congregation feedback and the candidate had questions for the committee. She loves pastoral care and building a sense of community. The committee was really excited with her and they are meeting in early April for a second interview. This would be her first call. The candidate would be presented at the next council meeting for the council to make a recommendation of presenting her to the congregation. The council would be tasked with calling a congregational meeting to approve making a call. It would be a .75 position. Sheryl made a motion to appoint Ellie Wolter Neumann to the call committee to replace Christina Larson Dickson who moved away. Karn second; motion passed.
- Set a date for the next Strategic Planning - May 20th at 6 pm after the regular council meeting.
- Committee Updates - Sheryl stated that the kitchen crew asked who is in charge of the meal on Palm Sunday for the congregational event. Ryan said it is an easy meal and they are deciding who will be in charge of getting the food. The focus is on the projects that will be done that day. Jackie - Children's Ministry - the Easter Egg hunt is April 5th. Patty wants help getting people registered before the event starts. Last year there were

over 100 kids who came. Patty brought up that the children from the congregation that uses the church do not always show respect to the building during the time that it uses the church. Ryan said that Katie needs to be notified of issues as she is the point person to communicate with them. Ellen - Worship Committee - they are looking for readers for Sundays and members will be able to sign up through Sign Up Genius. Karn - Youth - she has been in contact with Alex & Josh to find out what is happening with the youth and wants more information from them.

Prayer requests/Lord's Prayer

Adjournment: Sheryl made a motion to adjourn, Micky second; meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Maren Hawkins