

**Peace Lutheran Council Meeting Minutes  
November 10, 2011**

**Attendees**

Judy Rudolf	Council President	present
Andi Bartolomeo	Vice President	present
Phyllis Farris	Treasurer	absent
Connie Faustini	Secretary	present
Craig Endicott	Pastor	present
Don Robinson	Communications	absent
Sharon Altman	Education	present
Deb Foster	Fellowship	absent
Mike Foster	Finance	present
Rex Ayers	Property	absent
Daryl Faustini	Stewardship/Evangelism	present
Sarah Stamos	Youth	present
Pam Sparks	Social Concerns	present
Gretta Williams	Worship and Music	present
Wendell Anderson	Financial assistance	present
Pam Pedersen	Prayer Day co-leader	present
Larry Kessler	Visitor	present

**Opening devotions** – Connie F. provided devotions.

**Prayer Vigil** – Pam P. announced that December 11 is set for a Prayer Vigil; temple talks and children’s sermon will serve to inform the congregation prior to the date. Prayer requests will be taken.

**Approval of October 2011 Council Minutes** – The October 2011 meeting minutes were approved as received.

**Pastor’s Administrative Report** – The average attendance for October was 163. Previous year’s attendance – 2010 – 152; 2009 – 144. No weddings or baptisms scheduled in the near term. New members (possibly 13 individuals) will be accepted on December 11.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Wendell A. provided the update for October (see attached report) which showed an approximate \$22,000 deficient. While expenses are lower than budgeted, revenue is also lower than planned for in the FY11 budget. Judy cautioned that each ministry be mindful of spending by expending only what is necessary.

**2012 Budget Discussion** – Mike provided the first draft of the budget.

- Total pledges received to date - approximately \$255,000.
- Suggested Synod Benevolence: basis - \$35,000; budget - \$37,000; stretch - \$39,000. Council will need to decide what amount to pledge.
- No budget will be set aside for Pastor’s discretionary funds
- Input should be provided to Mike in advance of the December meeting

**Ministry Evaluations – Evangelism**

Delayed until the December meeting

**Bylaw Update** – Larry K. will provided updates to the bylaws; Council will have one month for review before providing to congregation for its one-month review. Council should consider:

- Changes reflect the new constitution
- Description of operating structure
- The covenant requiring each member to observe annual commitment; if not used, then should agree to remove.

Updates will be noted by date such that future revisions can be made in a timely manner.

### **Council Business**

- Winter retreat – may focus on Council orientation/re-orientation
- Special Congregational Meeting – meeting dependent on whether a chairperson is identified; could provide update at Annual Meeting
- To be attentive to attendance issues, it was moved that the Communication and Property council positions be vacated. **M/S/A**
- Andi B. provided verbal resignation from Vice President position and will immediately take the Communication chair position. It was moved to elect Andi as Communications chair. **M/S/A**

### **Pastor's Report** –

- New members accepted on December 11; need to assist in member assimilation

### **Committee Updates**

- Christian Education – Intergenerational Event set for Nov. 20 during the Sunday school hour. Christmas Program set for December 18. Sharon moved to hold one service on December 18 for the Christmas Program. **M/S/A**.
- Pastor Craig moved to hold one service on Christmas Day, December 25. **M/S/A**
- Prayer group meets on Tuesday mornings from 9:00 to 10:30 in sanctuary; prayer request form is available on PLC website.
- Social Concerns –
  - November 19<sup>th</sup> – Walk to End Homelessness. Register online or contact Charlie W.
  - Safe Nights – December 11 thru 19
  - Annual food pantry meeting set for November 13; Carol C. will take lead for food pantry

**Next meeting – December 8, 6:30pm.** Communications will provide devotions and Ministry of the Month; Stewardship will provide the Ministry Evaluation. Pam S. will coordinate dinner.