

**Peace Lutheran Council Meeting Minutes
September 15 (delayed from Sept. 8), 2011**

Attendees

Judy Rudolf	Council President	present
Andi Bartolomeo	Vice President	absent
Phyllis Farris	Treasurer	present
Connie Faustini	Secretary	present
Craig Endicott	Pastor	absent-continuing education
Don Robinson	Communications	present
Sharon Altman	Education	present
Deb Foster	Fellowship	present
Mike Foster	Finance	present
Rex Ayers	Property	present
Daryl Faustini	Stewardship/Evangelism	present
Sarah Stamos	Youth	present
Pam Sparks	Social Concerns	absent
Gretta Williams	Worship and Music	present

Opening devotions – Sharon provided devotions.

Approval of August 2011 Council Minutes – The August 2011 meeting minutes were approved.

Pastor’s Administrative Report – Pastor Craig provided his administrative report via email. The average attendance in August was 143, which included low attendance due to hurricane Irene on the 4th Sunday. Previous years attendance – 2010 – 128, 2009 – 150; 2008 – 141. Reported members in rehabilitation/nursing centers, new illnesses, and one funeral. Two baptisms are planned for September.

Treasurer’s Report – Designated funds (Christmas offering, Friends in Faith, Lutheran Magazine, Initial Envelops, Stained Glass) have been moved to the general fund. Moved the balance from Designated funds –Hymnals to Worship and Music - Audio Visual. For August, total revenue received - \$26,577.80 and total expenses - \$31,989; received \$19,000 insurance check for roof replacement.

Plan to move Capital Appeal funds to Building Expansion fund. Specific memorial funds moved to Building Expansion fund.

Ministry Evaluations – Executive Committee

Judy provided an overview of the Executive Committee that set the agenda for the council meetings, serves as personnel and mutual ministry committees, and executes items referred by council. The committee is challenged by having too much to do, thus limiting its ability to focus on visioning and larger issues. The committee goals include revamping policies and procedures for personnel and service contracts.

Council Business

- Roof replacement – Due to inclement weather, roof replacement pushed back by two weeks.
- Nominating committee – Gretta, Daryl, and Mandy will attend the Executive Committee meeting on Sept. 29 to discuss open positions.

- Employee agreement - Plan to have the agreement in place for use by the beginning of 2012.
- Special Congregational Meeting - will hold meeting if the needed to increase budget threshold for money to be spent in 2011 for building expansion. If meeting is held, can be used to update the congregation on revisions to the bylaws. Meeting could be scheduled for November (5th or 12th) /December (3rd) but a chairperson is needed. The meeting would need to be announced to the congregation two Sundays in advance of the meeting and must identify what will be discussed. Provide comments to Executive Committee.

Pastor's Report - none provided

Committee Updates

- Stewardship -
 - Intergeneration Event focusing on Time, Talent and Treasures - Sept 18th
 - Leadership Dinner - October 9th
 - Consecration Sunday - October 16th
- Finance - Mike requested that ministry budgets be submitted by October 15th; need the first draft of budget for the November meeting, final budget by December meeting.
- Education -
 - Sharon thanked Deb (Fellowship committee) for assistance on Rally Day.
 - Sunday school will start on Sept. 22
 - Nursery will be available during the Sunday school hour
- Fall retreat update - Andi wants a head count. An email will be sent to council within the week providing update information.
- Safe sanctuary policy - will continue work on policy at beginning of 2012; will ask Larry K. for assistance.

Next meeting - October 13, 6:30pm. Fellowship will provide devotions; Communications and Worship & Music will provide the Ministry Evaluation. Daryl will coordinate dinner.