

SS PETER & PAUL LUTHERAN
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, September 18, 2014

The meeting began at 10:15 a.m. with Pastor Gehrke handing out an Agenda and opening with prayer. Present Pastor Gehrke, Pastor Weber, Janet Turpening, Warren Weingarten, Jim Hewett, and Jean Pemberton. We reviewed our previous discussion regarding our main goals:

Governance – Set strategic direction, manage resources, and prioritize.

Operations – Staff – sets tasks and implements.

Broad goals were set at this meeting.

Special Voters' Meeting will take place on October 5, 2014. At that meeting, Aaron will give background information on the vision-focus process (2011-2013) and rationale for the restructuring process. Janet will preside during the vote on these issues: 1) Motion given at the September 18 Church Council meeting; 2) Extend terms of Chair and Vice-Chair for one more year (2015); and 3) New Board members selected to Boards in November will serve for one year. Exception is the Board of Elders.

The Executive Board will meet often to work on the recommended restructure. Quarterly congregational meetings need to take place to communicate progress to the members. Dates of December 2014, March 2015, and June 2015, or as needed, were set. We need to get congregational approval on a finalized structure before revising our Constitution. Set a goal for a finalized structure as January 31, 2015.

Constitutional Revision (refer to Agenda for further details):

We will need to set a Constitutional Committee to create any revisions to affirm the structure, or re-do the whole Constitution. Assistance from the outside might be needed; perhaps in the form of a workshop. Goals of January 31, 2015 for the final Structure; February and March 2015 for the Constitutional rewrite; April 1, 2015 (or earlier) for the Constitutional revision. This could be in the form of a rough draft or a partially completed document to submit to the North Wisconsin District's Constitution Committee for a quick review. Once they approve it, it goes to the District's Board of Directors for approval at their meeting in May 2015. Then it can go into full effect.

Janet will contact one of the authors of the book "Structure Your Church for Mission," for assistance on a policy based governance, which deals with operations.

Next meeting: Monday, October 6, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

Jean Pemberton
Council Secretary

