

Crown of Life Council Meeting Minutes

March 15, 2023

Attendees: Pastor Phill, Pastor Mark, Gene Kuebler, Tom Leshney, Greg Harwood, Sheila Mecham, Tom Mertins, Gene Axelsen, Bob Hammann, Linda Sawyer, Lynne Rose.

Call to Order – 8:29am with Opening Prayer by Pastor Phill

Motion made by Greg Harwood to accept the minutes from the February 15th meeting and the Special Meeting (Zoom) on February 23rd as written. Motion seconded by Tom Mertins. Motion carried.

PASTORS'S Reports

Pastor Phill will be traveling this weekend, returning to the office on Tuesday.

Voter's Meeting is scheduled for May 7th – reports to Holly by April 30th.

A Child Safety Policy is being instituted to satisfy the requirements of our Liability insurance.

Cathy Meyers has accepted the position of interim AV Tech Lead.

Pastor Mark continues to work on the Strategic Plan for Outreach. It will be shared with Council at the April meeting.

A presentation of the changing demographics of SCW will be presented on Tuesday, March 21, 2023.

Tom Leshney, speaking on behalf of the Enhancement Committee, asked if new members had been asked what it was that attracted them to COL. After some discussion, it was agreed that a survey of all members might be in order to specifically ask what brought them to COL and why they stay.

TREASURER'S Report – Greg Harwood

Comparative Statement for February was handed out. Crown of Life remains in a strong financial position. Praise be to God!

New accounts (checking and Money Market) have been opened at Western Banks. The Money Market account at First Citizens will be closed this afternoon.

The Finance Committee will be looking at new potential investments.

The Finance Committee is also working on a Financial Procedures Manual. This will outline in detail the responsibilities already being carried out by the Committee. Members have been asked to provide a written record of specific areas of responsibility – collecting offerings, counting and banking protocols, cash disbursements, journal and payroll protocols. These are to be submitted to Greg and Holly by March 31 for review and compiling into one comprehensive document.

Health Plans options for full-time employees continue to be reviewed by Gene K. and will be presented to the Finance Committee for review.

PRESIDENT'S Report – Gene Kuebler

Gene and the Leadership Team have discussed creating a 'tag line' for COL – something that encapsulates who we are and what we do. This would serve as a focal point for planning, particularly in planning for outreach events – helping us to determine "Why we are doing what we are doing?"

FINANCIAL SECRETARY – Sheila Mecham

Sheila reported that the new bank is welcoming, and the depositing process for the last two weeks has been easy to complete.

BOARDS -

Elders – Tom Mertins

The elders continue to contact their members, and the newest elders are being well-received.

Trustees – Bob Hammann

A new air conditioning unit will be installed for the office.

Missions – Gene Axelsen

\$8, 000 has been granted to Valley Lutheran HS for sound board, earphones and overhead projectors.

The PSD has sent a request for funds to support the churches impacted by the heavy snow in the mountain areas of Southern California.

Gene met with Pastor Jeff Ehlers from Garuna. He will be sharing additional information with the Mission Board and the congregation.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE – Linda Sawyer

Care Ministries is coordinating with Stephen Ministries to help our families with meals and additional resources.

Schole Academy is holding two Visitor Days in the coming weeks. They have asked for prayer that the LORD will bring the 'right families' with hearts for Jesus.

OLD BUSINESS -

The Enhancement Committee will be bringing their initial recommendations to the Leadership Team on March 22nd at 1pm.

NEW BUSINESS – None

Meeting Adjourned at 9:46am. Meeting closed with the Doxology.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynne Rose, Recording Secretary

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