

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
Voter's Meeting – November 10, 2019

Doug Mahnken called the meeting to order at 12:17 PM on Sunday, November 10, 2019.

Agenda

- Opening Prayer - Pastor Schultz
- Review and Approve Minutes from Previous Voter's Meeting
- Treasurer's Report - Brett Stoll
- Operating Budget for 2020 - Motion from Council: *The BSLC Congregation approves Operating Budget for 2020 as presented.*
- Building Committee Update
- Closing Prayer

- I. Opening prayer and devotions from Pastor Schultz were from 2 Corinthians 9:7.
- II. **Motion to approve** the minutes from previous voter's meeting was made by Keith Gloe with a second from Andrew Willey. Minutes are approved with no additions or corrections noted.
- III. Review of treasurer's report. **Motion to approve** the treasurer's report came from Keith Gloe and was seconded by Scott Behrman. Treasurer's Report was approved.
- IV. A motion from Council: *"The BSLC Council approves the Operating Budget for 2020 as presented."* Highlights of the proposed 2020 operating budget:
 - 1.9% increase over 2019 proposed budget and 2.4% increase over 2018 actual.
 - \$88,000 over what was budgeted for 2019. Administrative costs have gone up due to more students at Concordia and Seminary. We continue to support them. Staff increase is in accordance to district guidelines with adjustments for our roles. Evangelism and Mission – that number goes with our offerings.
 - Council is proposing a balanced budget – no surplus, with modest increase due to the capital campaign.
 - Preschool budget – enrollment increase is fueling both income and expenses. Because of the growth we are adding staff hours. We also have an assistant director now which we didn't have before. Projecting a balanced budget for the preschool.

QUESTIONS for 2020 Budget:

- Question: How did the building project play into the budget. What would the minimum pledge be going forward?
 - There are costs associated with the construction project. Insurance, etc. Covering those costs with surplus from 2018 for design work and other construction costs chosen to use rather than adding that extra into the budget. Insurance premiums, interest.
- Question: Going forward, into 2021, how do we calculate the additional costs associated with the new building?
 - When we get the mortgage in 2020, we plan to have a mortgage that we can more easily manage. Asking 4.5 mil from LCEF. The goal is to get half of that amount in capital campaign contributions. Purposely keeping the budget flat this year so we have some flexibility later. We are trying to keep it as flat as possible without cutting ministry and other services we supply. We are actually projecting 10% less than where we think we're going to be.
- Question: What is the reason for the surplus?
 - Anomalies, which may continue, but the church should not budget off of that.
- **Motion to approve** the 2020 budget came from Mark Chapin with a second from Mark Circle. This motion has carried and the 2020 Operating Budget is approved.

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- V. A Motion came from Regina Deke with a second from Eden Keefe to affirm the mission statement of the BSLC Preschool, "*Connecting children and families to Jesus as we gather, grow, and go.*" The Mission statement of the BSLC preschool, as stated above is affirmed.
- VI. Building Committee Update:
- The house has been removed and the hole remains. There is not a lot of fill required, however the quality of the fill needs to be supervised to ensure we have the fill done properly.
 - Delaying until spring the start of earthwork and construction.
 - We're not getting a lot of responses for the winter work because there weren't a lot of bids coming in.
- Timeline:
- November – submit to the city for Final development plan
 - December – submit to city for building permit
 - February – anticipate receipt of building permit
 - March – start construction
- LCEF/Laborers for Christ
- First agreement signed
 - Project manager assigned to our building project
 - Working on LCEF Loan Application
- VII. Motion to adjourn today's meeting came from Dave Benz with a second from Keith Gloe. Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Johnson
Secretary of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church Council