

May 1, 2005, Congregational Meeting Minutes

Doug Beck opened the meeting with prayer. The congregation repeated the mission, vision, and values.

Nicky Simon verified a quorum was established and read the Indemnification and Diversity Statement - "In accordance with MN law, we are required to notify the congregation that no person has been indemnified during 2004, nor so far in 2005, for any lawsuits or legal expenses, pursuant to Article VI, Section 8, of our bylaws."

Fall 2004 Meeting Minutes – Chuck Larson moved that the Fall 2004 congregational meeting minutes be accepted. Mark Haynes seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Elections for Board of Directors (up to 5). There were five seats available for the Board of Directors; four two-year terms and a single one-year unexpired term. Five candidates ran for the positions, each speaking for two minutes regarding their calling to lead. Candidates for the position were: Kim Bach, Johan Baumeister, James Dahlen, Mark Poole, and Nicole Simon.

Ballots were collected and counted. Per our bylaws, elected positions must receive more than 50 percent of the vote. All five candidates were elected. Kim Bach, Johan Baumeister, James Dahlen, and Nicole Simon, will serve the two-year terms. Mark Poole will finish the unexpired Board term for one-year.

By-Laws Revocation and Adoption – Jackie Zurn and the policy team presented to the congregational a new set of by-laws to replace the current by-laws adopted in 1988. The team went through a long process of researching, developing, and structuring the by-laws to be a document that all members of the church could read and understand. The church sought legal assistance from an outside firm who gave the green light for the by-laws. Jean Zimmerman motioned to adopt these AGCMCC by-laws and repeal the AGCMCC by-laws adopted on 04-24-1988, during a meeting of the congregational members by a 2/3 majority vote with the minor text correction of the word percent in two locations. James Dahlen seconded. The floor opened for questions. There was clarification on the indemnification process, explaining that these are only the starting blocks for the church. There is an entire policy and procedure manual that will lay out all of the details of the specific duties and requirements throughout the church. The information within the by-laws is legally sound. Questions regarding requirements of membership have also come up. Rev. Tucker explained the purpose of being a member at AGCMCC and doing more than just placing your name on a role. It is about being involved in the life and ministry of the church. One congregant presented several opposing viewpoints concerning the protection for the church with the current state of the indemnification status. This was assured by both the legal aid and the policy team would be laid out in the policy and procedures. David Hettinga Called To Question. Votes cast: 77 in favor; 15 opposed; 2 abstention. Motion carries.

Financial Report – We are solidly in Tier 2 which is a lot of cause for celebration. We currently carry a balance of \$14,200. The church's ability to operate successfully is based on the prayerful giving of the congregation. One congregant offered thanks and appreciation for all who have served as the Treasurer for AGCMCC. We are grateful for those who step forward. Ken Keate motioned to approve the report. Kurt Hagen seconded. Motion carried.

Lay Delegates – The Delegates will be heading to General Conference where they will be voting on behalf of the congregation to install Nancy Wilson as the new head of the denomination. The Delegates asked the congregation who is in support of this appointment and a large majority agreed. In addition, the Delegates are working hard on the PRIDE event

activities. Construction is beginning soon and they are still gathering volunteers.

Rev. Tucker closed with a “State of the Church” address complete with photos, music, and excitement. This was a real celebration of where we have come and where we are heading.

Johan Baumeister moved to adjourn, Kevin Hohlstein seconded

Rev. Tucker closes in prayer.