

# Minutes of Council Meeting Christ the King Lutheran Church, Inc. December 17, 2007

A regular meeting of the council of the above-named corporation was held at the Christ the King Lutheran Church, 10550 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, Virginia 22066, on Monday, December 17, 2007. The chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Council members present are indicated by an X in the chart below.

Member	Assignment	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Paul Gysan	Pastor	e	x	x	x	x	x						
Scott McAnally	Associate Pastor	x	x	x	e	x	x						
Allen Wild	President, Chairperson	x	x	x	x	x	x						
Steve Siebert	V.P./Staff Relations	x	x	e	x	x	x						
Steve O'Connor	Secretary	x	x	x	x	x	e						
Amy Swineford	Congregational Life	x	x	x	x	e	x						
	Fellowship												
Dave Rudorfer	Treasurer	x	x	x	x	x	x						
Louise Babirak	Learning	x	x	x	x	e	x						
Bob Hummel	Property	x	x	x	x	x	x						
Tracey Shenk	Service	e	x	e	x	x	x						
Shane McKinley	Financial Secretary	e	e	e	e	e	e						
	Stewardship												
Gil Miller	Long Range Planning	e	e	x	x	x	x						
Chris Lopez	Witness	x	x	x	x	e	e						
Lynne Roots	Worship & Music	e	x	x	x	x	x						
	Youth												
David Zimmerman	Finance	x	x	x	x	e	e						

The meeting was called to order with a prayer.

### Announcements/Approval of Minutes:

The draft minutes of the November 19, 2007, meeting were presented, reviewed, and approved.

The president then offered the floor to Jane Cooper, Director of Vocal Music. Jane presented her report, which is attached as item 1. The president thanked Jane, and entertained questions for her.

Pastor Gysan inquired as to a budget request for new instruments, asking what kind of instruments would be envisioned. Jane answered that another octave of handbells are justifiable, and that the budget request also envisions the purchase of a grand piano for the chancel of the sanctuary. She also discussed the option of an electronic drum machine, and related instruments.

Pastor Gysan also asked about the price for organ maintenance. Jane answered that the amount also includes piano tuning, which is required frequently due to the environmental conditions of the sanctuary. Steve Siebert asked whether there are any additions that should be

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considered for the organ. Jane answered that previously, there had been consideration of ornamental pipes, but that she is not recommending this purchase.

**Pastors' Reports:**

Pastor Gysan's Report is attached as item 2.

Pastor Scott's Report is attached as item 3.

**Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee:**

Dave Rudorfer then presented the Treasurer's Report. See item 4.

In summary, November expenses were as expected, but receipts were lower than planned, and so the cash on hand position fell to roughly \$6000 in the red (negative). In the first part of December, receipts have been higher than expenses, and so the cash balance is now approximately zero. Steve Siebert asked for the total giving through November of 2007 as a percentage of the 2006 giving through November. That number was not available, but Dave answered that total giving is roughly \$20-30K below the previous year, as of the end of November, but that total giving for the year is still uncertain.

The President turned the Council's attention to the draft budget, version 6A. The treasurer presented some of the details, and pointed out that as presented, the budget envisions \$681,000 in income, and proposes \$717,000 in expenses. Expected income is based on an estimate of flat giving from an estimate of this year's giving. There then followed a long discussion by the council members of possible ways of reducing expenses and/or increasing income. It was pointed out that the proposed expenses include payments against the principal on the debt, which are actually transfers and not expenses, but it was further pointed out that said transfers involved writing checks. The decision was made that each mission team would revise their budget, by January 4, to present a "core" budget, and a "high" budget, and that the proposed expenses to the congregation would include both budgets.

Gill Miller then presented a request on behalf of the Long Range Planning mission, that a future Council Meeting reserve 90 minutes of time for the topic.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

No resolutions were suggested for vote by the council.

***There being no further business*** requiring council action or consideration, and upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the council joined in a closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007.

/s/ Steven O'Connor  
Steven O'Connor, Secretary