

Committee: **Congregational Council**
 Date: April 19, 2005

Members Present: Gary Weible, Alan Hagensen, Karen Clark, Debbie Hardman, Jeff Sperline, Julie Deen

Ex-Officio Members: Pastor Martens

Absent / Excused: Len Ross, Carl Imhoff, Debbie Stankovich

Topic	Findings and Discussion	Conclusions, Recommendations, Actions, and/or Motions	Follow-up
Opening	Pastor Martens		
Approval of Minutes	Minutes from the 3/22/05 meeting were submitted for approval.	M,S,P - Approval of Minutes as amended.	
Choir Tour	The Choir is going on a tour to the Czech Republic in November. The members that are HS students are having difficulty paying their way. It has been requested that permission for a fund raiser be given to the Choir. This is not a good time with other fund raising drives that are currently underway. Instead a choir fund could be setup that would not be promoted, but spread by word of mouth.	M,S,P - Approval of a Choir Fund to be setup for those who wish to make donations.	
60th Anniversary Project	Idea was presented for a museum quality display of RLC history to be setup in the hallway. Discussion was held as to whether this would be an appropriate use of Memorial Funds. This would be a permanent display. Right now just trying to get a sense of how the CC feels about the idea. Debbie S. will check with the CC before proceeding too far.	The Congregational Council would like a proposal before entertaining a motion to proceed. The safety issues should be addressed before proceeding as well.	
Stevens Park Update		Carl has been following and will update at the next meeting.	
Area Mission Strategy Team Mission Statement	A Mission Statement for the Area Mission Strategy Team was presented for approval.	M,S,P - To accept the proposed Mission Statement in principle. The premise here is that we accept in principle, but not the specific details.	
India Partners Presentation	There will be a presentation by India Partners on May 17 at 7:00 that we are hosting. We are co-sponsoring the speaker.	M,S,P - Motion to allow a free will offering at the India Partner's Presentation on May 17, 2005.	

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B-House Update	Currently it is zoned residential and we need to keep it that way. Parish Nursing is moving out of the one side in light of this.	Jeff Sperline is looking into the specifics of the zoning.	
New Ministry Committee Job Descriptions	CC will approve members and can use the Consent Agenda to do so in the future.	M,S,P - To accept the Ministry Committee Job Descriptions as corrected to go into effect 1/1/2006.	
		M,S,P - As these committees are launched, it is our understanding that the duration of the terms for the committee members will be staggered so that initially half will serve a one year term and half will serve a two year term.	
Executive Limitations Policy		M,S,P - to accept the policy as presented effective 1/1/2006.	
Council Staff Policy		M,S,P - to accept the policy as presented effective 1/1/2006.	
Misc.	Pastor will provide a detailed report of the current status of the Church prior to our meetings for review at the meeting. He would like to know what we are looking for.	Discussion was around topics such as Finances, Worship, and Sunday School.	
	The CC needs to start thinking about hiring a new staff person to assist in Christian Education.	The CC asked that a job description be roughed out.	
Closing	Pastor Martens.	Next meeting is May 24, 2005 @ Karen's House.	