



DRAFT 2024/2025 Annual Meeting Minutes – May 19th, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: The 2024/2025 Annual Meeting of Resurrection Lutheran Church was held Sunday, May 19th, 2024. Council President Amy Jo Van Culin called the meeting to order at 12:11 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Pastor Jedidiah Scharmer opened the Annual Meeting with prayer.

PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Amy Jo Van Culin, Council President, reviewed the special procedural steps for the meeting. Mike Wallen served as Parliamentarian for the 2024/2025 Annual Meeting.

Resurrection staff, council members, and ministry directors in attendance stood to introduce themselves.

Amy Jo stated the Annual Meeting agenda had been distributed as part of the 2024/2025 Annual Meeting Report at check in. She asked for any changes to the agenda. Hearing none, Mike Wallen motioned to approve the 2024/2025 Annual Meeting agenda as distributed, and Rick Adamski seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

APPROVAL OF MAY 2023 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES: Secretary Shelly Wallen reported that the 2023 Annual meeting minutes were distributed in advance of the meeting and asked if there were any changes. Hearing no changes, Tara Davis made a motion to accept the May 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes as presented. Mike Jenkins seconded the motion and the motion passed.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Gabriella Pankow, Nominating Committee Chair, introduced herself and recognized the Nominating Committee Members for their work this past year.

She proceeded to introduce the candidates for open positions.

- Council Vice President (2 yrs.)/President (1 yr.): Rob Johnson
- Council Secretary (3 yrs.): Sara Fidler
- Council Treasurer (2 yrs.): Alex Oelkers. Alex stepped in mid-term to fill the Treasurer role through May 2026. The Congregation will need to confirm Alex as the Treasurer.
- Nominating Committee: Maggie Fissette
- Financial Review Task Force: Two positions open – Rick Traver and Kate Dietel

ELECTIONS: Amy Jo Van Culin called for any additional nominations from the floor. Hearing none, the nominations were closed. Ballots were distributed, collected, and counted. Amy Jo reported a majority vote for all candidates. She then turned the remainder of the meeting over to incoming Council President, Ryan Fuchs.

PRESENTATION OF 2023 HIGHLIGHTS: Amy Jo Van Culin, Council President announced the video presentation of the 2023 Ministry Highlights. The video showcased a number of events and achievements from 2023.

PRESENTATION OF 2023/ 2024 TREASURER’S REPORT: Treasurer Alex Oelkers presented the financial highs and lows for the period of May 2023 - May 2024.

REPORT OF THE 2024 FINANCIAL REVIEW TASK FORCE: Alex Oelkers shared the 2023/2024 Financial Review Task Force report on behalf of the committee. Random invoices were pulled, and verification of checks/invoice matching was confirmed. The Task Force reported that all is in good order and sees good foresight in the management of our financial obligations.

VISION FOR MINISTRY IN 2024/2025: Pastor Jedidiah Scharmer presented three interrelated priorities for ministry in the next twelve months.

Growth of the Faith Triangle: Everyone from our youngest to eldest will be focusing on Spiritual Growth and Biblical Literacy. We will lead, preach, and teach through the Bible using “The Story,” by Randy Frazee.

Mortgage Meltdown for Ministry: Our second focus will be on Financial Health. The Mortgage Meltdown for Ministry is aimed at paying off our debt in order to maximize our money for ministry.

Adoption: Finally, we will be using our strength as an LCMC Congregation to help our neighbors. We are positioning ourselves to adopt declining congregations in central Minnesota for the sake of the Gospel.

PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF THE 2024/2025 BUDGET: Secretary Alex Oelkers presented the 2024/2025 year budget. Larry Sornsen made a motion to accept the 2024/2025 year budget as presented. Matt Krogh seconded the motion. There were no questions or discussion on the motion, so a vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING TEAM MEMBERS: Pastor Jedidiah recognized outgoing Council Members, Community Board Members, and Ministry Directors. The following people were recognized:

- Amy Jo Van Culin – Council President
- Shelly Wallen – Council Secretary
- Gabriella Pankow – Nominating Committee
- Scott Adreian – Nominating Committee
- Cheryl Goudy – Help Center Board

ADJOURNMENT: Incoming Council President Ryan Fuchs stated there was no further business and asked for objections to closing the Annual meeting. Mike Wallen motioned to adjourn the 2024/2025 Annual Meeting. Rick Adamski seconded the motion. Hearing no objections, Ryan closed the 2024/2025 Annual Meeting of Resurrection Lutheran Church.

CLOSING PRAYER: Pastor Debbie Odell closed the meeting in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Shelly Wallen
Council Secretary

Confirm: Ryan Fuchs, President

Attest: Sara Fidler, Secretary