ARVADA COVENANT CHURCH - MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Type: Council
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Council Members			
Evelyn Simmons Council Chair	Chad Hewitt, Vice Chair	Gordon Wu, Treasurer	Jaci Lippert, Scribe
Steve Smee	Susan Palmer	Luke Ringenberg	Sara Brown
Pastor Brad Bergfalk	Pastor Jodi Moore		

Meeting Handouts		
Agenda 4.19.22	Financial Dashboard YTD Mar 2022	
Minutes 3.15.22	Sample Council Newsletter	
Budget Surplus Carryover Policy		

Call to Order and Opening Prayer	
Call to order:	Evelyn called the meeting to order at 6:08 PM. A quorum was established.
Prayer:	A time was devoted to corporate prayer.

Routine Business	
Agenda Item	Scribes Report
Action Taken	Grammar corrected in Pastors Report, Sara Brown added to Attendees. Minutes were accepted as amended.

Agenda Item	Treasurer's Report
Gordon Wu, Treasurer	March 2022 Revenue includes donations specified for the Debt Reduction Program Expenses continue to be managed against giving Giving Families total increased to 316
Action Taken	February 2022 Report as reviewed at the Congregational Meeting was accepted. March 2022 Treasurer's report was accepted as submitted
Agenda Item	Pastor's Report
Pastor Brad Bergfalk	He is grateful that the staff is working as a team. Brad will be taking next week as vacation. Preparations for the ECC Banquet on 4/29 has resulted in purging, cleaning, landscape updates. There is still a need for volunteers to assist with the break down after the banquet and set up for 9Health Fair that starts early Saturday morning. The team investigating possible sale of land will be meeting with Commercial Real Estate Agents in the coming weeks. He will be facilitating conversations June – Sept, to gather input for the Pastor Search Committee. Topics are: • Who Are We Now? • Who Is Our Neighbor? • Who is God Calling Us to Be? He shared that it has been so encouraging to watch the growth of the staff as leaders, the healing in the membership and the sharing of laughter throughout. All indicators that ACC is moving forward together.
Action Taken	N/A
Agenda Item	Pastor's Report
Pastor Jodi Moore	Budget season is here for Jodi. Worksheets went out to staff for department budgets. A draft budget will be sent to the Financial Team for review. The final budget will be reviewed and approved by Council at the May 17 th meeting. Other activities include planning for Palm Sunday, Prep for the May Congregational Meeting, Managing Staff, Coordination of Easter Baskets to shut ins, Collaboration with Kayleigh Leonard for Ministerial Licensing and female clergy. Jodi shared about the journeys of 3 families now attending ACC. Each had similar stories of finding support through our values of Women in Leadership, Justice and Intergenerational community.

Council Business - Information/Follow-Up/Discussion/Action		
Agenda Item	Budget Surplus Carryover Policy	
Pastor Jodi Moore	The policy defined that unspent department budgets were to be moved into restricted funds to be isolated for later use. Based on budgets for 7 departments, the administration tracking is time consuming and costly. After discussion, a recommendation was made to discontinue this policy and move the funds into an existing reserve account. Future disbursements will be made following standard request processes.	
Action Taken	Vote was taken to rescind the Policy. All funds are to be transferred to "Building and Grounds Reserve Account – 8020".	
Agenda Item	Benevolence Policy	
Steve Smee	The Benevolence policy has been re-written and is ready for review and comment. It will be emailed to council.	
Action Taken	N/A	
Agenda Item	Open Council Seat	
Evelyn Simmons	Evelyn led a discussion on whether to fill the seat vacated by Steffani Warns.	
Action Taken	Consensus was to not fill the seat currently.	
New Business	Council Newsletter	
Evelyn Simmons	A suggestion had been made to create a newsletter to increase transparency and information flow to the congregation.	
Action Taken	Approval was given to proceed. A subcommittee was established consisting of Evelyn Simmons, Steve Smee and Jaci Lippert.	
Agenda Item	Upcoming Events	
	Staff and Council Workshop, Saturday, May 14 th , 8:30 -	

	 11:30am (SWOT) Congregation Meeting, Wednesday, June 15th, 6:090 pm - Budget approval and Staff Reports 	
Action Taken	N/A	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 with prayer	