

LOTM Council Meeting

August 8, 2023

In attendance: Craig Bolt, Alicia Dunn, Pastor Kate, Ben Little, Christy Reinking, Catheryn Carlson, Kevin Clarke, Lydia Ziauddin, Ruth Hendricks, Jay Meservy, *Doug Muschett*
Excused: Aimee Branson *Guest:* Doug Bair

1. Meeting opened at 5:34 pm with Alicia leading a reflection on wildflowers and Jesus' teaching to "Consider the lilies of the field" (Matt 6:28)
2. July minutes were approved with an amendment about the energy audit.
3. Pastor Kate shared the following in her report:

+ new members session is in process with the aim of welcoming them in mid-September

+Thursday night family events will continue with the help of Cindy M

+The offering card is in process

+Monthly evening prayer continues; the next one is Sept 6

+Evening Bible study will begin the 2nd Wed of the month in Sept

+Julie and Karen are leading the Oktoberfest Stewardship celebration

+ PK's family is visiting in Sept

+ the Lightning storm earlier this week fried the internet, network card, sound system and organ settings. Bill K is looking for someone to address sound board issues; in the meantime we have an analog device to use.

4. Personnel: Caroline met with the committee (Craig, Kate, Ben) for her performance review; things are going well. Kudos to Caroline and Julie C for organizing the music library.

5. Committee Reports:

+ W&M: We are moving on to the theme of OT wisdom and poetry in Sunday morning worship. Ken and Kevin will be married at the worship service on Sun, Aug 27. Committee is reviewing music budget given abundance of music in the newly organized library.

+ Finance: no report

+ Green: Doug requests receptacle for Styrofoam objects to be collected to then be taken to HC3.

+ Capital Campaign: no report

6. Other subjects:

+ Member phone list and assignments to be distributed at the next council meeting.

+ Council discussed building use agreement and a grant request; council will approve if building use fees are waived (such as in the event a group is benefitting the wider community). Craig requested that council members review the building use agreement and provide feedback.

+ LOTM will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2024; the church will host a gathering in July.

Meeting ended at 6:45 pm with prayer. Kevin Clarke will lead devotions next month on September 12 at our next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lydia Ziauddin