

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Batavia IL
Voters Assembly Minutes
February 13, 2022

Chairman Nottke opened the meeting at 12:05 pm. A quorum of 76 voters were in attendance either in person or via Zoom. The presentation materials reviewed at this meeting were posted on The Realm. Pastor Kennaugh opened the meeting with prayer.

Meeting Minutes from September. The minutes from the September meeting were posted on The Realm. A motion to accept the minutes as posted was made by Elvin Harms and seconded by Becky Williams. The motion carried.

MMC Elections. Elections were held to fill the roles of Chairman, Vice Chairman, and five At Large positions.

SGC Update. Keith Bartelmey, the current Chair of SGC, explained the Committee is an advisory board for Pastor Kennaugh. He thanked everyone for their support and flexibility through Covid, i.e, outside services, communion kits, etc. He gave a recap of the assistance fund - over \$14,000 received in donations, over \$15,000 distributed to 16 families in need.

Foundation Update. Bob Schmidt explained the Foundation uses the gifts received to support the ministries of Immanuel. Although its annual expenditures are limited by its governing documents, the Foundation used \$8400 to support various ministries last year including refurbishing the handbells, grants to the contemporary service equipment and help in supporting the livestream service equipment. The Foundation sponsored a Planned Giving Workshop last fall that was well received and you can still view the video of it on our YouTube channel.

Financial Update. Larry Durrant explained to everyone that revenue has been down the last three months and running behind those of a year ago. Fortunately, expense control has been really good this year and expenses are running lower than budget. The school is doing really well on income and expenses.

Pastoral Update. Pastor Kennaugh began by thanking everyone for their continued faithful giving during Covid and encouraged us to continue to care for each other and be respectful of each other. March 27th will be a special presentation for the entire circuit on the Shroud of Turin in our FLC. After Easter, an early worship service, then mission projects in the community, followed by food trucks. New staff positions and introductions of Tom Zillman, Business Manager; Kristi Farnum, Director of Communications; and Jimmy O'Connell, Contemporary Music Leader. He reviewed the Lent and Easter schedules. A question was asked if there would be outdoor services again next summer and the answer was that has not yet been decided.

Principal Update. Donna Laughlin said next year's enrollment has already begun and it appears that some preschool classes are already full. Covid has taken up a lot of time this year and taken a toll on everyone and everything, including programs and sports. This week the school moved to "masks recommended". The teachers have done an amazing job through this whole process and she thanked them for all their hard work.

The Stirred to Love program with St. John's Chicago - have been able to do a few things with them such as Walcamp and Ornament exchange at Christmas. A Lutheran Junior Honor Society has been started and it focuses on the students' faith journey and service projects as well as their GPA. Lutheran Schools Week coming up - March 6th; Spring Musical - "Singing in the Rain" - Apr 29-May 1; State Recognition Visit - March 7th Pastor Kennaugh then let everyone know that Donna has received the 2022 LEA Distinguished Lutheran Elementary Administrator Award granted by the Lutheran Education Association.

Election Results. The election results are: Matt Hager-Chairman and Bob Schmidt-Vice Chairman. Deb Riddell will be taking over the At Large position from Erica Ciro due to her resignation. The other four At Large positions will be filled by: Terri Holmes, Jeff Meyers, Eric Nelson and Bill Pietsch. Thank you to all our candidates for agreeing to fill these roles on the MMC.

Dave Evans thanked the MMC members who served their terms and are now leaving. A standing ovation was given to Dan Nottke for his leadership as Chairman.

Meeting Closing. A motion to adjourn was made by Larry Durrant and seconded by Dave Evans. The motion carried. Pastor Kennaugh closed the meeting with prayer. Meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Radtke
Secretary