

**St. Stephen's Evangelical Lutheran Church (SSLC)
Council Meeting | April 18, 2021 at 12:30PM**

Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Youth Reps
Ivan Black	Mike Brittingham	Mike Burgess	Abby Burnette
Sandy Dawkins	Stephanie Jones	Michael Jebaily	Carlee Tworzyanski
Steve Fowler	Craig McFarland	Brian Lackore	
Paulette Shealy	Brian Paeth	Jessica Maxheimer	
Mary Elizabeth Windham	Evelyn Temple	Allison Van Cleef	

Executive Committee:

President	Vice-President	Secretary	Treasurer
Mike Brittingham	Steve Fowler	Allison Van Cleef	Mary Keisler

Pastor: The Rev. Jason Antley

Staff: Shannon Burnett, Tonya Reynolds

Absent: Mike Burgess, Beth Haggard, Craig McFarland, The Rev. Dr. Patrick W. Riddle, Bailey Slice, Evelyn Temple

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:30pm by Mike Brittingham

Devotion: Pastor Jason

Consent Agenda: March Minutes

Reports:

- a. Pastor Pat
- b. Pastor Jason
- c. Pastor Dennis
- d. Shannon – Director of Family Life
- e. Beth - Preschool Director
- f. Bailey – Director of Music
- g. Mary – Finance

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Steve Fowler to approve the consent agenda. Michael Jebaily seconded the motion. The council members unanimously approved the consent agenda.

Discussion Agenda

- Pastor Jason gave an update on the Freedom to Imagine campaign. Worshipers picked up campaign bags after each service today and any remaining bags will be delivered in the following week. He went through items in the bags, encouraged council to read the stories of generosity, and praised the team for their efforts to put it all together. A congregational dinner is scheduled for May 16th at 5:00pm in the Family Life Center.

- Pastor Jason reviewed the proposed schedule to resume normal worship activities incrementally through Summer 2021. The council asked questions and made general comments for the COVID 19 advisory board's consideration.
- Mike Brittingham welcomed the managing partners from the Navy Yard on Main and the property owners to discuss the project, talk through concerns and answer questions. After a difficult and lengthy discussion, Ivan Black made a motion to deny a waiver of the distance requirement between SSLC and the Navy Yard on Main. The motion was seconded by Steve Fowler. Council members unanimously approved. This will uphold SSLC's protest of the liquor license for that property.
- Pastor Jason and Shannon Burnett summarized Chapters 3 and 4 from *Governance and Ministry* by Dan Hotchkiss. As SSLC transitions to a governance model, the ultimate goal will be to have congregational participation while allowing ministry leaders to make decisions.

Next Meeting: Sunday, May 23, 2021 at 6:00pm

Ivan Black motioned to adjourn the meeting; Steve Fowler seconded and the council members unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned with The Lord's Prayer at 2:45pm

Respectfully submitted by Allison Van Cleef on April 20, 2021