

St. Stephen's Evangelical Lutheran Church (SSLC)
Council Meeting | September 17, 2023, at 12:30PM

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Youth Reps
Mike Burgess	Cathy Mathias	Christie Addy	Lexie Taylor
Michael Jebaily	Gregg Mills	Lisa Catalanotto	Bryce Windham
Brian Lackore	Sheridan Perry	Deon Fink	
Jessica Maxheimer	Melissa Rawl	Chad Geary	
Allison Van Cleef	Eric Wessinger	Myra Strock	

Executive Committee:

President	Vice-President	Secretary	Treasurer
Michael Jebaily	Gregg Mills	Allison Van Cleef	Mary Keisler

Pastor: The Rev. Ralph Hill

Staff: Shannon Burnett, Tonya Reynolds, Susan Wilson

Absent: Mike Burgess, Jessica Maxheimer, Allison Van Cleef, Bryce Windham, Lexie Taylor

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:41pm by Michael Jebaily

Devotion/Prayer: Pastor Ralph Hill

Heyward Addy asked to speak to the council about Staff Appreciation Sunday, which will be held on November 19 in the gym, between the services. He reported the Finance Committee has decided to sponsor Staff Appreciation Sunday and recognize any employee that has been at St. Stephen's 15 years or more. Heyward plans to do a Temple Talk in October to inform the congregation and love offering envelopes will be placed in the bulletins in the week leading up to November 19. The council gave him their full support and thanked him for leading this event.

Consent Agenda: August Meeting Minutes

Reports:

- a. Pastor Jason Antley
- b. Pastor Ralph Hill
- c. Shannon Burnett – Director of Family Life
- d. Julie Tworzyanski – Interim Preschool Director
- e. Susan Wilson – Director of Music/Organist
- f. Tonya Reynolds – Parish Administrator
- g. Ivan Black – August Invoice or Report
- h. Mary Keisler – Treasurer/Finance

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Melissa Rawl to approve the consent agenda. Cathy Mathias seconded the motion. The council members unanimously approved the consent agenda.

Discussion Agenda

Old Business

- No Old Business

New Business

- Cathy Mathias presented the recommendation from the Preschool Advisory Committee to approve Julie Tworzyanski as the new Preschool Director. Mary Keisler noted that Julie's compensation package has not been finalized but it will be within the constraints of the preschool budget. It was also noted that Julie will be using the building after preschool hours to have speech counseling sessions. Christie Addy seconded the motion from the Preschool Advisory Committee. The council members unanimously approved the motion.
- Tonya Reynolds reported that there will be a Celebration of Ministry on October 22 in the gym between the services. Lutheran Men will be preparing food for the event. We will celebrate everything St. Stephen's and give a financial update to the congregation about where we stand with expenses and the importance of giving and finishing the year strong. It was stressed to the council the importance of council members being at this event.
- Mary Keisler reported she has signed the Conceptual Design Services Agreement with Columbarium Planners and we have paid \$850.00 deposit. We are waiting for the feasibility of site study to be done.
- A BIG THANK YOU to Chad Geary, Lacey Geary, Deon Fink, and Eric Wessinger and all council members who helped with the Building Maintenance Luncheon today!

Next Meeting: Sunday, October 15, 2023 at 12:30pm

Cathy Mathias made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Christie Addy seconded the motion and the council members unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned with The Lord's Prayer at 2:08pm

Respectfully submitted by Tonya Reynolds on September 18, 2023