Voters’ Meeting—DRLC (12/05/21)

MINUTES

1. 11:45 AM - Call to Order - Dave Wangerin
2. Opening Prayer - Pastor Flick
3. There were 118 voters present
4. A total of 4 new voters were presented to the Voters’ Assembly for approval. All were accepted by voice vote without any discussion or objection.
5. Introduction of the candidates for both the Board of Directors and Board of Lay Elders-Dave Wangerin
6. Voters marked their ballots, and the Committee of Lay Elders collected and counted the ballots.
7. Finance update—Kyle Hanson: The church and school are currently running a surplus due to a large increase in school enrollment. Church offerings are behind forecast and tuition is well above forecast. The budget has been recast to reflect the increased revenue to date. Surplus funds may be used for school improvements, repairs, additional staff and substitute teachers to accommodate the school growth needs and campus repair and improvements.
8. Pastors report—Pastor Flick: Pastor updated voters on church and school “rebranding initiative” and the state of several initiatives, projects, and events (i.e., Pray & Go, and Giving Tuesdays). 25 adults and 15 children were accepted into new membership. Several baptisms are currently scheduled to take place during December.
9. School update—Janet Bahr: As pointed out in the financial report, the school enrollment has increased dramatically. There are 365 enrolled from Hatchlings through 8th grade (22 students over budgeted number). The school lunch program continues to serve over 100 students each day. A Tutoring Lab just started covering math and reading with the help of students from Lake Country Lutheran H.S.
10. Proposed changes to the Constitution and bylaws were adopted by the voters on a voice vote without any dissent. There was discussion over correcting a couple of typographical errors and allowing 30 days lead time instead of 14 days to notify the congregation of proposed changes to the constitution. The Board of Directors will consider these recommendations before passing the new proposed constitution on to the South Wisconsin District President.
11. The voters also passed a recommended change to Amendment A of the Endowment Fund Committee’s governance by unanimous voice vote. The change will allow for more flexibility in determining the amount available for annual distributions from the Endowment fund. It will now permit the Committee to choose either the annual investment income or up to 7.5% of the principle to be distributed. This replaces the current Amendment A which states that the Committee must distribute 7.5% of the principal amount of any unrestricted funds.
12. Election results were announced by Dave Wangerin: The 3 candidates elected to the Committee of Lay Elders are John Bowen, Reid Bruesser and Scott Plopper. Dennis Gehrke was elected to the position of President-Elect of the Board of Directors. Mark Bahr was reelected to the Board of Directors and Tim Temmerman was elected as a new member of the Board of Directors.
13. Closing Prayer - Pastor Adam Wolf
14. Adjourn at 1:10 PM - Dave Wangerin