Council meeting Minutes

March 22, 2021 (7:00 p.m.)

Present: Terry Neumann, Mike Ettrich, Simon Winkelmann, Ingrid Maier, Monika Kosheiff, Ian Wood, Pastor Jesse Kane, Paul Budinski, Dorothee Hauf, Pastor Josh Mueller, Pastor Kelvin Kehler, Christa Ettrich, Sieghard Wanke

1. prayer
2. Approval of agenda
3. Draft Constitution Review & Discussion

Continuation from March 8 meeting

Special Guest- Sieghard Wanke

* 1. Article I
     1. Addition of “associate membership” section. Section was reviewed and approved.
     2. Suggestion that “church reconciliation” should involve more than removal of membership.
        1. Clarification on disciplinary action (i.e., reconciliation/members in poor standing) will be explored by committee.
  2. Article III
     1. For consideration: eliminating requirement of 2 years of membership prior to becoming a council member.
     2. Discussion to amalgamate of nominating committee and voting committee.
        1. Votes will be counted by an outside party and will function the same as before.
     3. Discussion of council being made primarily up of committee members. Risk of circling through the same members. Risk of congregants being dissuaded from being committee members because they don’t want to be pressured to be on council etc.
  3. Constitution committee will make edits from tonight’s suggestions and bring a renewed copy to council for final approval.
  4. Council will communicate changes to the constitution to the congregation over spring and summer. This will give the congregation time to review and ask questions.
     1. Updated constitution will be voted on by the congregation at the AGM.

1. Additional Business (as required)
   1. Monika Koscheiff will organize handing out plants for Easter service. Plants will additionally be delivered to congregants unable to attend the service.
2. date of next meeting

Council Meeting – April 12

1. Adjourned