

Elder Council Meeting

June 7th, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

Members present: Steve Haugen, Steve Langer, Randy Kostroski, and Chuck Olson.

Randy opened the meeting in prayer.

OPEN SESSION:

Meeting Minutes: Randy will resume the meeting minutes this month.

Elder Schedule: Christa's email elder schedule for the months of June and July were reviewed, edited as necessary and approved.

Elder Devotional: Ephesians.

Rotation was re-established;

Randy - June 21 (Eph 2:11ff),

Steve H – July 5,

Chuck – July 19,

Bryan – Aug 2.

New Worship Leader Update: Chuck: Worship team would like to see Matt interact a little more with FCC and the worship/tech team before he is officially offered the (part-time) job. Concern was expressed about the song selection and to ensure scripturally accurate song lyrics. Current worship team is okay with covering the worship for a short time before hiring a new person. It is vital to not allow rumors to pick up any momentum.

New CHAOS Director Position: Job has been posted. One guy expressed interest but wanted full-time. Praying for a possible internal solution. Advertise in the bulletin. Network with FCC Hudson. Possibly a one year trial period. Intern from college? Waiting on the Lord.

Chemistry Staffing and District financial help for Pastor Search: Converge has contributed money for hiring Chemistry staffing to assist us with our Lead Pastor Search. Search went live on June 6th.

Budget Update: Cuts have been made pretty much across the board (20ish percent). Budget looks generally good. Funds put aside for future church planting was discussed. The money will not be touched but will remain for the next church planting activities? Use it in combination with other fund raising. Mortgage is coming down quickly. Perhaps do some teaching on generosity. People need to learn to live within a budget. We need to be good stewards. We want to give people a chance to participate financially in some of our ministries, and be blessed by it.

Elder Reviews: Necessary. We'll discuss elder reviews in detail at our next meeting looking at various evaluation tools.

PRAYER/CLOSING PRAYER:

The elders closed in conversational prayer for the needs of the church family. This included ongoing prayer for covenant partners and for needs and praises that were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 PM.

Humbly submitted,
Randy Kostroski
Elder Council Meeting Scribe