

Congregational Council Meeting

June 15, 2026

Minutes

Faith Lutheran Church

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Darryl Anderson, Council President.

Attendance: Joe Antal, Darryl Anderson, Nancy Hooper, Nicole Vincent, Wendy Gajarsky, Kurt Mackall, Fedearia Sweval, Duane Daily, and Pastor Bruce Roth

Excused: Lynne Poulton

Guest: Dineen Dowling

Devotions / Opening Prayer: Pastor Roth

Review of Minutes: Kurt moved to accept the May 18th Council Meeting Minutes and Duane seconds. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Staff Reports:

Pastor Roth: Report Submitted

Treasurer: May 2026 Financial Report Submitted. Wendy made a motion to accept the report for review and Nicole seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Eric Jezewski: Report Submitted.

David Simpson: Report submitted.

President's Report: Report Submitted

Old Business:

- Choose members for the call committee – tabled for July meeting

New Business:

- Request for approval to purchase preschool library supplies – Dineen Dowling
Fedearia made a motion to approve the book cart purchase for \$1310.97 and Joe seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.
- Wendy made a motion to ratify approval of sanctuary AC unit repair for \$3069.94 and Duane seconds. All were in favor. Motion passed. Funds will be paid from building and grounds.

- Approve Faith Endowment Grant requests
 - Nicole made a motion to approve the \$300 donation to Reconciling Works and Joe seconds. Next year this will be part of the RIC budget.
 - Wendy made a motion to approve \$1,300 for the church picnic ice cream truck on August 2nd and Duane seconds. All were in favor. Motion passed.
- Death benefit from Stephen Thompson life insurance – Darryl
 - Duane made a motion the Death benefit from Stephen Thompson life insurance goes to the Faith Endowment and Nicole seconds. All were in favor. Motion passed.
- Request for clarification regarding payments for memorial services from Finance Committee. Money paid for memorial services should not be given directly to the set-up person but should be given to the church. The policy should be rewritten to state how payments for non-members should be handled.
- Discussion of Director of Children's Ministries Role – Fedearia
 - Pastor Sarah Courtney has resigned effective June 30, 2026. Mark Watkins has interviewed Amanda Hyter and Pastor Roth will schedule a conversation with Amanda regarding onboarding in her new role. Wendy made a motion to accept Amanda Hyter as The Director of Children's Ministry and Kurt seconds. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Ministry Area Reports:

Care and Nurture (Wendy Gajarsky): Porthouse Theater gathering is on 6/17/26.

Communication (Kurt Mackall): Working to compress the women's bible study footage. Goal is the explain more about our Faith groups in 90 seconds: What is the group? What is their purpose? How can you join? Team is moving forward with an endowment request for Lecture Scribes for the 1st service.

Faith Endowment (Darryl Anderson): no additional report

Growth and Learning (Nancy Hooper): no additional report

Ministry / Staff Development (Fedearia Sweval): Discussion around the lack of committee structure for interviewing and staff appointments and implications for the finance committee. Staff meetings, performance evaluations and a team of 3 people to support this function would be beneficial. Wendy made a motion to fill the Staff Support Team comprised of Mark Watkins, Lead Pastor and a team member. She is requesting Mark and Pastor provide a recommendation for the team member by the July council meeting. Duane seconds. All were in favor. Motion passed. Pastor Roth will reach out to Mark.

Operations:

Property (Nicole Vincent / Joe Antal): Work on the cross is continuing and will be completed on July 6th – July 7th.

Financial (Darryl Anderson): briefly reviewed submitted information from Lynn Poulton regarding Bob Mollard's ideas for using a portion of the Hansen Trust gift for the 9 AM music program. General agreement that a one time gift should not initiate ongoing expenses to the Church (e.g., hiring a new employee). Darryl to take back to the Finance Committee

Outreach (Duane Daily): no additional report

Preschool Board (Lynne Poulton): no additional report

Worship (Joe Antal): no additional report

Wendy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 pm and Joe seconded.

Adjournment / The Lord's Prayer / Next Meetings: 7pm on July 20th

Submitted by Nicole Vincent, Council Secretary