

Salem Church of Darmstadt  
Council Minutes  
September 13, 2021

**Present:** Jason Smith, Susan Straub, Jean Baresic, Beth Willner, Stewart Hall, Jerry Baack, Karen Agee  
**Using Google Meet:** Mike Lynn

**Others:** Pastor David, Lori Feil

**Call to Order:** Jason opened the meeting at 5:58.

**Devotion:** Pastor David shared devotions based on Acts 6 over leadership.

**Treasurer's Report:** August 2021 – Still on track for the year's budget. We need to discuss how we want to spend the designated fund? We decided to have a special offering for the Hurricane through Samaritan Purse. Chicken supper report on page nine indicates \$5,823.37. The water bill went high which made the sewer bill high. One of the water closets was running continually. It has been fixed. The financial report was received subject to audit.

**Secretary's Report:** Jean moved and Susan seconded to accept the August minutes as written. The motion carried.

**Old Business:**

1. **Status on Roof** -Stew - Cornett Roofing Systems repaired the roof earlier than expected. They are paid.
2. **Report on Foundation** – Stew –Bunge quoted \$2,670 to tuckpoint the pylons as close to the original as possible. Beth motioned and Susan seconded to spend up to \$3,000 from the building maintenance fund. The motion carried.
3. **Down spout leak by takeout door** – Stew – It has been fixed.
4. **Update on the Senior Youth area** - Mike– No update; pertinent parties have not had discussions yet
5. **Update on improving security access** – Jerry –Felts Lock and Alarm estimated \$537 to replace the push bar on the kitchen door. They will replace the striker bar, latch, and add the cylinder dogging kit. Jean moved and Karen seconded to spend the \$537 from the building maintenance fund. The motion carried.
6. **Printer / Copier sale of old equipment** – Mike – Still in the works
7. **Gyroscopic mount** – Jerry – Brad has started making the box with a certain type of plastic that won't let glare through.
8. **Serving traditional communion** – Jason- Still on delay.
9. **The medical closet** – Jean will call Barb to itemize what will be kept in the medical closet so it can be listed in the ECHO along with the check-out procedure.

**New Business**

1. **Evangelism committee report** – Susan, Jean, Anna Washburne, and Eldon met and discussed Wears Valley Ranch, Inc. Anna Washburn is a teacher at the ranch, and we talked to her through Google Meet. Wears Valley Ranch is a Christian mission that helps troubled youth with long and short term stays near Gatlinburg, TN. It is a home and school for children in crisis situations that are not of their own making. It is not for students that belong in juvenile facilities. The ranch

takes no government assistance or debt so they are free to talk about Christ. The Gospel is the central mission along with healing. Parents are asked to help pay for their stay on a sliding scale. The ranch serves students from all over the country. Susan motioned and Jerry seconded to replace the Danielle Winslow missionary in Thailand with Wears Valley Ranch. The motion carried. Lori will contact Wears Valley Ranch.

2. **Carry out supper idea for October 2022** – Jason suggested chairing a bratwurst drive-thru with the sides of German potato salad, sauerkraut, and baked beans; no dessert. The idea is to would replace the Fall Festival booth income. We decided to propose this at the annual meeting.
3. **Concern:** Susan – The gasket around the refrigerator for the Women’s Guild is stained from mold. It was suggested that maybe Joe Gish could get a replacement.
4. **Video position:** David shared that Dave Lundy wants to continue doing the video at this time as he has done in the past. We discussed offering to pay him. We also discussed paying Rick Johnson for all his work. We discussed the possibility of gift cards as an option.

#### Latest potential project list

1. More storage for tables and chairs, etc. in fellowship hall
2. Monitor in the kitchen to watch funerals and church service
3. Update Paradise – Smart TV and tablet, paint, updated furniture
4. Replace folding chairs in the fellowship hall
5. Replace siding on parsonage
6. Replace siding on church
7. Replace support straps of boiler piping under the sanctuary
8. Assess stability of the brick support pylons foundation under the church
9. Add windows on the west wall of the Wortman building for better ventilation
10. Smaller sink needs tall curved faucet for washing dishes
11. From Women’s guild: Walk in cooler, new stove, convection oven, warming oven also mentioned, more electrical outlets and stainless steel tables on wheels so can move where needed, fryers or gut entire kitchen and completely redesign
12. Backup power for the church like a generator for key fobs, security, and refrigerators

**Next Meeting:** October 11, 2021

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Willner

Secretary