

Minutes for Luther Park Board of Directors
March 29, 2008

Board Members In Attendance: Eileen Christopherson, Pastor Jim Page, Amanda Rasner, Donny Moats, Pastor Leila Haight, Pastor Michael Wollman, Brenda Thalacker, Pastor John Ashland, Steve Kolden.

Board Members Absent: Stan Buchanan, JoDeen Forsyth, Dale Kringle,

Ex-Officio Members in Attendance: Sherm Toufar and Mary Toufar

Call To Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:53am by our board president, Pastor Mike Wollman. All sang Happy Birthday to Sherm. His birthday is Sunday, March 30.

Devotions: Pastor John Ashland had everyone share a difficult and a good thing that is happening in a committee members' life. He read from Isaiah 43. Devotions ended with prayer.

Minutes and approval: The minutes of the February meeting were reviewed. Don Moats made motion to accept the February minutes as corrected, Leila Haight made the second, and the **motion** passed.

Directors' Reports

Mary has sent 34 letters of call for program coordinators, senior and junior counselors. She needs Pals yet. They must be senior high students. All 4 sessions currently have openings for Pals.

Sherm commented on his report. He had thought it would be easier to schedule the visits with the churches. There has been a lot of staff illness for longer periods of time, i.e. week or more. Tracy Francois has been hired to be the housekeeper.

“Every Congregation” outreach report: To date both Sherm and Pastor Mike have 25 congregations that they will be visiting.

Committee reports

Program—They have finished up working on all 5 of the bible studies. D.J. and Amanda Rasner will be training the summer staff on the bible studies. April 22 summer orientation meeting for pastors and program staff.

Property—Don Moats reported that the new pool filters are here. Brenda Thalacker has located a plumber and some assistants to help. Dave has obtained 4 bids for the shingles ranging from under \$14,000 to \$15,000. Bids will go up by 10% after March 31. Bid acceptance is due on Monday, March 31. Our approximate net cost to replace the shingles will be approximately \$8,000. Pastor Mike Vetsch from Nelson has 2 roofers lined up who will do 2 of the cabin roofs. Don Moats will see that 2 of the roofs will be done by the end of May. Dale Kringle will recruit volunteers to replace the shelter at Luther Woods. Cost of those materials will be around \$5,000. Cabins are 90% ready for summer campers. Some of the cabins have graffiti on the bunk beds. There were some thoughts on requiring a “security deposit” of each group and if there is additional graffiti then that group would not receive their security deposit back. Damascus has odors in it, mold and

mildew type odors. There is sand and water in some of the ductwork in that cabin. We will need to take care of the mold problem in that cabin.

Finance—Printed copies of the February 29, Income/Expense Report were passed out. Brenda went over the main points of the report. Don Moats made a **motion** to accept the finance report. The second was made by Eileen Chrispherson. Motion passed.

Old Business

Sherm and JoDeen will set up the golf outing at Sioux Creek Golf Club. It was determined to duplicate their efforts from last year. Monday, June 23 is the preferred golf outing date. Mary has recruited a Chetek resident, Jerry Christenson to help with the golf outing event.

Sherm talked to Emily Moore at Feed My People Food Bank about getting food from there. We do not qualify because we don't have enough low-income individuals attending camp.

New Business:

One of the summer counselors will be working on an environmental plan which will include looking at our gardens and possibly creating a sustainable garden along with looking at other energy savings. We can obtain a grant from Thrivent to receive funding for the project. We need 6 households. The grant total is \$1,000.

April 17 will be our next meeting date at Hope Lutheran. Sherm will handle the devotions. Board Retreat. Don Moats will provide the snacks. Committee meetings at 6:15.

Steve Kolden moved that we authorize Dave to order the shingles up to \$14,000. Amanda Rasner seconded the motion. Motion passed. Once we pay for the shingles we will then send a copy of the paid bill to CertainTeed. They will then give us the agreed upon settlement. We will have a special appeal for the funding of this project.

Our audit firm of Anderson Hager Moe have notified us that there is an increase because of the increased audit scrutiny. Anderson Hager Moe then asked us if they could do our audit if they did it for the original price. Steve Kolden made a motion to accept Anderson Hager Moe's original quoted audit price. Seconded by Pastor Leila Haight. Motion passed.

Steve Kolden made the **motion** to adjourn and a second was made by Pastor Lee. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Thalacker, acting secretary for JoDeen Forsyth