

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
September 19 , 2023 @ 6:30 via Zoom

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BOARD MEMBERS:	TERM DATES	ATTENDANCE	GUESTS:
Dave Webb, Chair	2018; 2019; 2020; 2021; 2022; 2023	X	- Pastor Brice Bloxham - Sister Tashina
Sally Peters, Vice Chair	2023;	X	
Elizabeth Kohen, Treasurer	2018; 2019; 2020; 2021; 2022; 2023	X	
Joshua Koepp, Secretary	2022; 2023	X	
Ellen Holmgren, At-Large	2023	X	
Anna Grace, At-Large	2022; 2023	X	
Lynn Mears, At-Large	2017; 2018; 2019; 2020; 2021; 2022 2023	X	
Chriss Latterell, At-Large	2023	X	
Pastor Renee Patterson		X	

Opening Devotion and Prayer: Pastor Renee

Approval of Minutes and Financial Report

- Minutes for August meeting was submitted by Ellen Holmgren. Chris moved to approve. Anna seconded. The motion carried unanimously
- Financial Report and monthly summary submitted by Finance Team. Sally moved to approve. Lynn seconded.
 - Budgeted expenses and income are consistent with planning. Income was a under budget for the previous month. We are grateful for the generosity that allows us to continue our mission.
 - Our actual giving and expenses will be reported as usual in the bulletin. The one-time Employee Retention Credits will be listed separately as they come in.

Staff report comments:

- Dave Webb requested update on Women’s Retreat. Sister T. reported 12 people came with a focus on rest. Great conversations on scripture around rest and the contemplative practices that can foster rest.
- Renee requested Brice discuss the stewardship plan. Brice explained it will focus on the Parable of the Talents and shared some details that will be introduced to the congregation in October.

- Renee reported about a pastoral team visioning session with Dave and Benjamin Webb about what's going well, what's not, and what we can do. It was a very productive, powerful time that produced very positive movement toward a more focused congregational vision.

Church Sept/Oct Events coming up: Shepherd community calendar

- 9/20 Confirmation begins
- 9/20 ReFuel Kick Off bonfire
- 9/20 Youth Summer Trip Meeting 8pm
- 9/21 Pour Theology
- 9/24 Fall Day of Service
- 10/8 Labyrinth Ministry Moment (education)
- 10/12 Song of Shepherd event
- 10/13-14 Confirmation and ReFuel retreats at Gustavus
- 10/15 Service of Anointing and Prayer
- 10/15 Contemplative Practice session with Sarah Cledwyn 9-10:00
- 10/29 Confirmation Sunday
- 10/29 Trunk or Treat

Closing Prayer: Sister Tashina