CHURCH COUNCIL

February 24, 2015

Reports and Recommendations: OLD BUSINESS

1.Call full-time worker to JLM **NEW BUSINESS**

1. To pay the dues to the international LWMS

2. Spiritual Growth Board recommended that the Worship Board plan a worship weekend explaining our liturgy

All recommendations were approved

The Spiritual Growth Board

- Karl Fager is heading up the Worship Encouragers Program
- Celebration of Marriage weekend was a huge success
- Financial Peace, Grief Share and Truth Project are still in need of leaders
- The Stewardship Program will commence in November of 2015
- Mark Miklas is leading the Judges Bible study on Weds nights

The Outreach Board

• Easter for Kids is on Saturday, 3/21/15.

The Support Board

• No report

The Family Nurture Board

- MVL will be calling 2 teachers (English/music) this year
- Risen Savior Kindergarten Round-Up was Feb. 26th. Will be calling a 5th/6th grade teacher and combining grades 1 and 2

<u>The Worship Board</u>

- Special thanks to all those who worked with and on the Marriage Retreat Weekend.
- Chad Heins has updated the usher schedule. Still looking for an Usher Coordinator.
- Recommend presenting to the congregation the option of purchasing music for the choirs or orchestra. When "your" music is played or sung for the first time it will be acknowledged in the bulletin.

Executive Committee

• No report

Called Worker Reports

Lead Pastor

- Verse of the month is Matthew 25:40
- Long Range Planning Committee is begining to present its report to the staff, council and congregation.
- Outreach board had a good response to their Administrative Sunday.
- Spiritual Growth Board was blessed with a wonderful response and participation in the Marriage Retreat Weekend.
- Returned the call received from Immanuel in Manitowoc, WI. Appreciate all the prayers, comments and advice from our members and boards.
- Understand that there is some thought that pastors get calls because they put their names forward for a call. That can happen, but it is not what happened to me. I have heard some concern that I may not be happy in my ministry with you because I received a call. I was as surprised as you that I received a call and my return of that call to remain here says clearly that I am content with our ministry and very much look forward to it continuing.

Campus Report

Associate Pastor

- Second Semester has begun at the Beacon. Attendance is up at Bible studies and the parking issues with the Newman Center have developed.
- Preached at the Mission Festival in Fairmont the weekend of the Marriage Festival
- LAB is interviewing individuals for next year's Resident Assistant. Tara Martinez has informed us that she will not be able to serve a second year.
- Next Beacon is the Lock-in at Lake Crystal. It is scheduled for March 20-21
- Worship Planning Team continues to do good work in preparation of our church services.

Church Administrator

• No report. Was on vacation

<u>Vicar</u>

- Sunday School attendance continues to be strong
- New curriculum has been ordered for the second semester of Sunday School and is now being implemented.
- Plans for Soccer Camp continue to develop. It will be held on July 20th thru the 24th. First planning meeting was well attended.
- Continue to visit shut-ins and teach Catechism
- Will be leading the Jesus Cares in a Worship Service on March 14th
- Assisting with Easter for Kids