

**Voters Assembly Minutes
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
November 19, 2006**

The meeting was opened with prayer and devotion by Pastor Johnson.

Seventy-two voters were present.

Minutes of previous meetings on May 21, 2006 and October 1, 2006 approved as written.

MMSC to accept new voter: Vello Jehusak

Gains and Losses:

Gains accepted: Baptism – Zoey K. Hersey, Reagan A. Rauchhaus, Elliott W. Redkey, Loudon R. Redkey, Sloan M. Redkey, Aliz M. Schuette, and Jedidiah F. Silva

Confirmation – Christian Barringer, Heather Dell, Darrell Eacret, Raymond Frowiss, Anthony Modugno, Skyler Muench, Kerri Polizzi, and Kevin Rohde.

Losses accepted: transfer – Monette Eagen

Deaths – Shirley I. Eickert, Gene Eoff, Clay Kiel, and Martha Savage

Treasurers Report: Income as of mid October 2006 actual is \$404,719 versus budgeted \$428,502. Operating expenses as of mid October 2006 actual \$140,144 versus \$144,459 budgeted and staffing expenses \$291,099 versus \$288,649.

Unfinished Business:

The **Voters Assembly Voting Motions** to amend the bylaws were presented.

ARTICLE VI - Voters Assembly

Item 3 shall be modified to read as follows:

"The members present at a properly called meeting of the Voters Assembly shall constitute a quorum. Unless otherwise specified in the constitution and bylaws all matters shall be disposed of by a simple majority vote of the votes cast. *Voting may be by proxy dated for the day of the meeting, signed by a member in good standing, and delivered to the secretary by the member named in the proxy as authorized to cast the vote for the signer. The maximum number of proxies held by any one individual is two (2)*" (Note the proposed addition is in italics.)

The proposed motion was considered. Two amendments were proposed but not carried. The defeated amendments were: The written ballot normally used for voting shall be modified to provide for a proxy option as required or desired and maximum number of proxies held by any individual limited to one. A call for the question passed by two thirds vote. The motion passed with a standing vote of 40 in favor and 25 opposed.

Item 5 shall be added to read as follows:

"Any action which may be taken by a vote of the members at a regular or special Voters Assembly, except for the election of members of the Board of Directors, may be taken without a meeting if the Board of Directors distributes a written ballot to every member entitled to vote on the matter. Such ballot shall set forth the proposed action, provide an opportunity to specify approval or disapproval of a proposed action, and provide a reasonable time within which to

return the ballot to the Secretary. Ballots shall be delivered to members in the same manner as provided for delivery of notice of meetings. The ballot must specify the time by which it must be received to be counted."

Item 5 the proposed addition to the bylaws was discussed and after a call for the question was defeated by majority voice vote.

New Business:

The revised **Preschool Budget** (Attached) was approved as presented.

The annual **Good Shepherd Budget** (Attached) proposed for 2007 was presented by the Chairman of the Finance Committee. Line items were reviewed. Comments were received. (Paid staff were excused during salary and benefits discussion.) Budget was approved by voice vote.

Announcements: Pastor James Johnson has decided to begin the retirement process. Discussions with the Elders are in progress and more information will follow.

Glimmer of Hope will take place at Emanuel at noon on the Saturday after Thanksgiving. More volunteers are urgently needed to continue this ministry of Good Shepherd. A two-hour commitment is needed to help with this effort. Pat Eggers is the contact person.

Closing prayer by Mike Dahlin, President

Meeting adjourned.

IHS,

Barbara Lambole, Secretary.