

**LCMC Board of Trustees**  
**September 27 & October 1, 2008**  
**Minutes**

**LCMC Board of Trustees**  
**Albuquerque, New Mexico**

*Present: Trustees Paul Brafladt, David Chancellor, Kirk Dean, Larry Lindstrom, Chris, Magnell, Sue McKenzie, Dale Wolf, Service Coordinator Bill Sullivan, Director of Operations/Financial Secretary Sharon MacFadyen.*

*Absent: Kent Groethe*

*Guests: Marsha Sullivan*

Chairman Larry Lindstrom called the meeting to order at 3:10 PM MT. Dale Wolf opened with devotions and prayer based on the text from Ephesians 2:19-22

Kirk Dean presented the treasurer's report. He shared that as an organization we are following a similar course to other small businesses in this environment. The overall financial picture for 2008 looks relatively positive as congregations continue to increase donations and expenses are still under control. Sharon MacFadyen shared some of the specifics on the Annual Gathering and the finances involved.

M/S/P To approve the treasurer's report as presented.

Bill Sullivan presented the Service Coordinator's report. He shared news on the movement of the Canadian congregations. One of the congregations is visiting with us at the gathering. He shared greetings from Katarinaburg, Russia and a congregation there. He also shared a positive note from Pr Jim Hansen. Bill shared that the congregations in India (OEF) requested to be removed as member.

M/S/P The board recognized the request of the OEF churches to be removed.

Bill also shared an update from Victor Lund regarding the pending law suit. He noted that the other attorney in the case has been mostly unresponsive. There is a pending deadline in January and without response it would likely be dismissed at that time.

The board discussed the Annual Gathering agenda. Larry Lindstrom asked that the board members be more visible during the gathering. The board discussed who would do introductions throughout the gathering. They also discussed the area caucuses and which board members would be present at each session.

Bill shared a couple of proposed amendments or resolutions that will be presented during the gathering. He shared a message from WordAlone which stated they were interested in having a district within LCMC. Larry offered to respond to their email.

The Board discussed the offering designation:

30% Spirit of Martyrdom  
30% Faith Covenant International  
30% Belarus Lutheran Missionary Fellowship  
10% Faith Lutheran Church for local ministries

Larry confirmed that Sue McKenzie will take minutes during the business sessions.

Sharon MacFadyen confirmed that we will not be allowing any posting on our web site from seminaries for class schedules or other information, but will continue to maintain the links. The board also discussed the topic of the listserve and that the board had decided to discontinue maintaining it. Chris noted that he has responded to questions that the board via our By-Laws is not to keep a "closed listserve" and in effect we were doing so. Thus, we decided that we would not maintain a listserve at all.

Bill brought up the district insurance and how LCMC maintaining it has become a potential problem. Chris noted that the problem really revolves around the fact that when it comes to the districts we are trying to have accountability without hierarchy. This subject was tabled for further discussion in November.

The trustees closed with prayer and adjourned at 5:40 PM MT.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue McKenzie, Secretary

**October 1, 2008**  
**Albuquerque, New Mexico**  
**Minutes**

*Present: Trustees Paul Braafladt, Kirk Dean, Anne Gran, Rebecca Lee, Larry Lindstrom, Chris Magnell, Sue McKenzie, John Waak, Service Coordinator Bill Sullivan, Director of Operations/Financial Secretary Sharon MacFadyen.*

*Guests: Marsha Sullivan, Edward Skutshek (Grace Lutheran Church, Kelowna, British Columbia)*

Chairman Larry Lindstrom called the meeting to order at 7:00 AM MT. Anne Gran opened with prayer

M/S/P To have the slate of officers remain the same for the 2008-09 term.

Chair Larry Lindstrom  
Vice Chair Paul Braafladt  
Secretary Sue McKenzie

Bill Sullivan began the discussion about the Canadian congregations. He noted that CALC (Canadian Association of Lutheran Congregations) has already obtained licensing in all Provinces along with medical and pension benefits packages. Edward Skutshek joined the discussed and shared with the board developments involving large numbers of Canadian congregations. He expressed a desire to develop a relationship with CALC and LCMC. He noted that he will present a report during the upcoming CALC convention and will encourage a partnership between the two organizations.

The board set the following calendar dates:

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|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Nov 19-21, 2008 | Board Meeting         | Bloomington, Minnesota |
| Jan 14-16, 2009 | Board Meeting         | Bloomington, Minnesota |
| Apr 26-28, 2009 | Leadership Conference | Minneapolis, Minnesota |
| Apr 28-29, 2009 | Board Meeting         | Bloomington, Minnesota |
| Jul 12-15, 2009 | Board Meeting         | Salt Lake City, Utah   |
| Jul 12-15, 2009 | Youth Rally           | Salt Lake City, Utah   |
| Oct 4-7, 2009   | Annual Gathering      | Fargo, North Dakota    |

The trustees closed with prayer and adjourned at 7:35 AM MT.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue McKenzie, Secretary