

**PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
APPROVED 2023 Annual Congregational Meeting  
January 28, 2024

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*Welcome given by President Mike Rupp. Following Robert Rules of Order. We have a quorum.*

- I. Call to Order:** Call to order at 10:25 a.m.
- II. Opening Prayer:** Opening prayer lead by Pastor David Hanson
- III. Open Forum:** None
- IV. Adopt Agenda:**

*Motion to adopt Annual Meeting Agenda as written. Mark Nissen / Greg Tesch / Carried*

**V. Approve Congregational Meeting Minutes:**

- a. Special Congregational Meeting – January 15, 2023
- b. 2022 Congregational Meeting Minutes held on Sunday, January 29, 2023.

*Motion to approve the congregational meeting minutes held on January 29, 2023, and the special congregational meeting held on January 2023. Chuck Venske / Wayne Kuehn / Carried*

**VI. Nominating Committee Ballot Presentation Given by Kelsie Simon:**

- a. Ministry Board Positions (3-Year Term) Vote for Two: Karen Dressel, Teri Dressel, Marla Erickson, and Jon Peterson
- b. Nominating Committee (2-Year Term) Vote for Three: Dan Junczewski, Diane Malmin, Jessica McGowan, Bob Rieckenberg, Harlan Sundblad, and Greg Tesch.
- c. Discussion on the wording of the Constitution change regarding Absentee Voting led by President Mike Rupp.

**VII. Reports**

- a. Pastor's Report given by Pastor David Hanson.
- b. Director of Youth & Family Report given by Mark Nissen.
- c. Ministry Board Report given by Mike Rupp.

**VIII. Recognition of Ministry Teams**

**IX. 2023 and 2024 Finance Review Presented by Dan Cowger, Finance Chair and Judy Jacobson, Financial Administrator.**

- Audit Report of 2023 Financial Records – Done by an independent agency, Jeanne Matter CPA, and found our books to be in order. Verified accurate.
- Review of 2023 Finance Report – Dan reviewed income and expenses.
- Proposed 2024 Budget – Dan discussed the 2024 budget forecasting a balanced budget for 2024.

*Motion to approve 2024 Budget: Duane (Dewey) Swenson / Beth Seefeldt / Carried*

**X. New Business:**

- John Weinzierl, head of Property Team, announced all the fluorescent lights in the church will be changed over to LED lights thanks to a donation from a member.

**XI. Nominating Committee Election Results Presented by Mary Fritz-Barfnecht**

- Elected Nominating Committee Members for the 2024 year serving a 2-year term are: Diane Malmin, Bob Rieckenberg, and Greg Tesch
- Elected Ministry Board Members for the 2024 year serving a 3-year term are: Karen Dressel and Jon Peterson
- Constitutional Amendment on Absentee Ballots Passed

*Motion for Mike Rupp to be President of the Congregation was made by Jake Jacobson / Edie Hanson / Carried*

*Motion to destroy ballots: Bill Helfritz / Larry Cramb / Carried*

**XII. Thank You Past Ministry Board Members, Past Nominating Committee Members and Candidates**

**XIII. Adjournment:** Closing statement from the president of the congregation, Mike Rupp.

*Motion to adjourn Duane (Dewey) Swenson / Megan Weaver / Carried*

Meeting Adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

**XIV. Closing Prayer:** Closing Prayer by Pastor David Hanson.