

Inaugural 2021 Call Committee Meeting

9-1-21

Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m.

Pastor Sandy Johnson leads opening prayer.

Call Committee members introduce themselves.

In attendance: Sharon Ammerman, Chris Dubak, Pastor Sandy Johnson, Julie Lange, Martin Morud, Paul Nasvik, Kevin Noeldner, Karen Nork, Berit Strom, Sarah Warren. Guest Ashley Cochran representing Church Council.

Discussed quorum, with the understanding that not everyone will be able to attend all meetings. There will be few decisions requiring voting. Consensus is six of nine members present for a vote. Smaller groups will meet to complete specific tasks. Paul N. will be considered an alternate.

Discuss phase 3: The Call Process from Northwest Synod of Wisconsin's document entitled Congregations in Transition, Moving into the Future.

Discuss committee leadership. Martin Morud and Sarah Warren will co-chair the committee. Chris Dubak will be reporting secretary responsible for compiling results and reporting to the Synod. Julie Lange will be the recording secretary responsible for preparing agendas and taking minutes, also working with church secretary to assemble meeting information packets.

Pastor Sandy passed around a sheet to confirm contact info and preference.

Discussed the MSP - Ministry Site Profile sample from the synod's website, included in the Call Committee binder. Kevin N. recommends individuals from the Call Committee fill out the forms then compare results to come to consensus before submittal.

Discussed the Synod selection method. The Synod sends one pastoral candidate at a time. The Transition Team had been given the advice that the Call Committee can recruit their own candidates from the community around us, who would be vetted by the Synod. It is not necessary to wait for the Synod to send candidates. The possibility of ecumenical partnerships was briefly discussed.

The next meeting date was set for Thursday, September 9th at 6 PM. It was generally agreed that an hour-long meeting is preferred.

Action items: members of the committee are asked to read the Transition Team 2020 Year End Report included in the Call Committee binder.

The Call Committee will be installed on Jubilee Sunday, September 19th, 2021.

Close with the Lord's Prayer at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Dubak