

SWEDISH LUTHERAN CHURCH OF WASHINGTON, DC
CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING - Kyrkorådsmöte

Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at 7901 Ariel Way, McLean, VA at 7:30 PM

Members Present - Deltagare: Anna-Carin Rooney, Ann-Marie Brisbois, Arne Dunhem, Peter Edwardsson, Gunnel Hamilton, Eva Hess, Anneli Sexton

1. Opening of meeting - Mötets öppnande: Anna-Carin Rooney opened the meeting and Eva Hess was asked to say a prayer. Anneli Sexton was asked to take the minutes.

2. Review of quorum and proposed agenda - Deltagande och Dagordningens godkännande: With the above members, quorum for the meeting was met and the proposed agenda was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings - Godkännande av föregående mötesprotokoll: Minutes from the March 16 meeting was approved.

4. Treasurer's Report - Kassörens rapport: It was decided to send \$350 to "Save the Children's Fund - Rädda Barnen" i Haiti. SKUT will pay the temporary minister Cecilie Jorgensen Strommen for her services to the Swedish Church of Washington DC. The Norwegian minister has agreed to conduct services and christenings on May 2 and June 6 and konfirmation on June 5.

There were an inquiry if SLCW would pay for translation if needed for the minister (Cecilie Jorgensen Strommen had apparently asked), e.g. from Norwegian to Swedish.

Also there may be an expense for a new coffee brewer (if Arne's son could not fix the old one).

The treasurer's report was approved.

5. Membership:

a. Report - Medlemsskaps rapport: It was decided that a family (\$40) should be counted 2 and if any children 20 years of age or younger were listed on the membership form they should be counted, e.g. to add to the membership numbers. At present (\$40 family) 45 applications, (\$30 single) 27 applications and (\$5 student) 1 = total 118. Since the meeting, re-count of the children add 20, e.g. total 138 members in SLCW.

b. Drive - Medlemsskaps drive: It was decided that Eva Hess would approach Swedish School for Adults and Arne Dunhem would approach the Swedish School for Children and that Eva Perdahl would approach SWEA to distribute membership forms and a pledge for support to the SLCW. Anneli reported she had contacted the Nordic office at the World Bank and received a list of all Swedish employees, to whom she already has sent an email asking them to support the Swedish Church by becoming a member.

c. Volunteer List - Intresselista: That Anneli will put the now two list (from membership application and the survey list) together into one and send to the committee members.

6. Temporary Pastor & Greetings to Ib Philblad - Vikarerande Präst och hälsningar till Ib Philblad: The committee signed a get well card for Ib and another card will be going around to be signed by the congregation and Arne is considering video tape next church service, May 2 and send to Ib. The interim pastor will be conducting christenings and confirmations as previously planned.

7. Board Members' Mission at Social Hall after Service - Styrelse medlemmars uppdrag under Kyrkkaffet: Anna-Carin stressed the importance that each committee members greets and informs each congregation member of "this week's hot topic" which for next service, May 2 is Membership drive, Volunteer list and Pick Nick on June 6.

8. Insurance Update - Försäkringsnyheter: The insurance will be updated and checked before signed as there were a few omissions and correction of address needed.

9. By-Laws and Guidelines Working Committee Setup – Tillsättande av arbetsgrupp för bearbetning av By-Laws, Stadgar: The committee group for these task will be: Anna-Carin Rooney, Bengt Bostrom, Erland Magnusson, Monica Andersson and Arne Dunhem. They should have the proposal to the Church Council before the summer break.

10. Social Ministry - Diakoni: Arne will contact Augustana Church to see/hear about their plans for the landscape around church and if there would be something for SLCW to handle.

The lady that the congregation supported with \$200 towards a trip back home to Sweden via Lincolnia United Methodist Church, 6335 Little River Turnpike, Alexandria, Virginia is now a closed chapter for SLCW in regards to monetary help.

11. Retreat: A destination/place has been found and a contract will be signed with Bon Secours Spiritual Center in Marriottsville, MD. The retreat will be held from October 22-24, 2010. Cost per person is proposed at \$295 for the weekend, it was decided that the minister/leader (hopefully Ib Philblad) will not pay for the retreat. SLCW will upfront the deposit to Bon Secours. Advertisement of the retreat will now be increasing.

12. Nordic Summer Service - Nordisk Sommargudstjänst: There is no knowledge if this event will take place. Eva Perdahl will contact a few people in the Norwegian congregation for an update.

13. Newsletter - Församlingsbladet: The deadline for inclusions in the newsletter should be with Gunnel no later than May 17. This newsletter should include:

- The Retreat in October
- The Konfirmation in June
- The Food collection in November and to point out, that it was a very poor collection last year.
- The Toy collection in December.

14. Other Business - övriga ärenden: That George Mitchel is handling the website and Anna-Carin is handling the Facebook. Arne Dunhem's company would like to purchase the black/white copier from SLCW for cash money, instead of donating it to Martha's Table. No decision was made.

15. Meeting Adjourned - Mötets avslutande: The meeting concluded at 9:40 PM.

Submitted by Anneli Sexton