

**Grace Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, March 16, 2020**  
**6:00 pm, Hope Hall and Zoom**



Elders Present: Bob Eggink, John Galli, Marlin Golnitz, Brian Hauptmann, Eric Johnsen, Christine McGraw, Carole Ryan, Jon Timmons, Pastor Chris Tweitmann, Valerie Wiegman

Elders Absent:

Staff Present: Michele Abbott, Lisa Bari, Margie Clark, Pastor Marv Combs, Kjersti Glesne, Mary Taylor, Beth Tweitmann, Emma Tweitmann, Betty Wardle, Drew Williams, Megan Williams

Staff Absent: Jean Kucukarslan

Guests Present: Joyce Eggleston

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**I. Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

- a) The meeting was called to order at 6:10pm by President, Marlin Golnitz
- b) Opening prayer

**II. Closing Grace Campus**

- a) Council and staff discussed suspending activity on the Grace campus due to Covid-19
- b) Based on government guidelines, the campus will be closed to all groups, except for Dr. Heather Browne, whose practice falls under the mental health guidelines.
- c) The closure will be in effect for ten days and then be reevaluated.

**Motion was made to follow government recommendations to suspend all activity on the Grace campus for 10 days, except for Dr. Heather Browne, whose practice falls under the mental health guidelines. The suspension will be reevaluated after 10 days.**

**Motion was seconded.**

**Motion was approved.**

**III. Grace Sunday Service during closure**

- a) Grace's Sunday service will be shown on Facebook and Grace website. It will be available beginning Sunday morning at 8:30am. People will also be invited to set up watch parties and later times. The older population will be contacted to be sure they are able to watch the service.

**IV. Care Connections Update**

- a) Care Connections will temporarily close due to Covid-19.
- b) The Care Connections board wishes to use the Care Connections reserve fund to continue to pay Care Connections employees.

**Motion was made to pay Care Connections employees with Care Connections reserve funds.**

**Motion was seconded.**

**Discussion.**

**Motion was amended to pay Care Connections employees with Care Connections reserve Funds for a period of one month.**

**Amended motion was seconded.**

**Amended Motion was approved.**

## V. School Update

- a) Preschool and Rec Club are closed. Discussion of paying preschool and rec club employees during closure.

**Motion was made to pay Preschool and Rec Club employees for a period of one month.**

**Motion was seconded.**

**Discussion.**

**Motion was amended made to pay Preschool and Rec Club employees for a period of one week. Preschool and Rec Club employees will be available to work where needed at the school or church.**

**Amended Motion was seconded.**

**Amended Motion was approved.**

- b) Grace School JK – 8 is closed for two weeks. Teachers are preparing for remote instruction which will go live on Thursday. Other events will be postponed. Washington DC trip will probably be cancelled.

## VIII. Adjournment

- a) Marlin Golnitz adjourned the meeting at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Betty Wardle  
Council Clerk