

Grace Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 26, 2020
7:00 pm, Zoom



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

Elders Absent: Christine McGraw, Valerie Wiegman

Staff Present: Betty Wardle

Staff Absent: Pastor Marv Combs, Drew Williams, Darin Zylstra

Guests Present:

I. Call to Order and Opening Prayer

- a) The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by President, Marlin Golnitz
- b) John Galli gave the opening prayer.

II. Pacific Lutheran High School

- a) Pacific Lutheran High School of Gardena has received approval from their Board to pursue holding classes on the Grace campus.
 - They would like use up to 8 classrooms.
 - They would start with 1 day per week then move up to 3-4.
 - They would apply for a business license from the City of Huntington Beach.
 - The students would be bussed from their Gardena campus.
 - Grace would charge them the utilities and cleaning related costs.
- b) Grace council has concerns.
 - Crossing the county line with covid restrictions in place.
 - Bringing Covid to our campus.
 - PR concerns if covid is brought here or if they take it back from here to Gardena.
 - Legality of having them in Orange County.
 - Concerns about students being in a closed area that many hours a day. Both in a bus and in classrooms.
 - Grace has no knowledge their social distancing at home.

Would need to contact public health officials to be sure no laws are violated.

Motion was made with all love and concern to respectfully decline to host Pacific Lutheran High School at this time. Grace will leave the door open for future collaboration.

Motion was seconded.

Discussion - Grace School is currently open. We know that they are adhering to required protocol. We do not know the covid numbers in the neighborhoods that these students are coming from. Covid numbers are currently rising.

Call for the question.

Motion was approved. 7 yes, 1 abstain

III. Adjournment

- a) Marlin Golnitz adjourned the meeting at 7:55pm.
- b) Jon Timmons gave the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Wardle, Council Clerk