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**MEETING OF VOTERS' ASSEMBLY
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
February 23, 2021**

Pastor Karg opened with prayer at 6:37pm

Number in attendance: 73

Minutes of the January 26, 2021 meeting were approved by motion.

Official Congregational Acts

Received by Transfer: Patricia Thorne

Received by Adult Confirmation: Rae Mohrmann

Received by Reaffirmation of Faith –None

Released – None

Dropped By Own Request: David Huckshold

Removed to Join Another Denomination - None

Marriages - None

Adult Baptism –None

Baptism - None

Deceased:

Gerald Schultz

Mary Ann Viehmann

Catherine Forest

Jean Mueller

Removed – Lack of Address - None

Sign the Constitution: Do we have any members who wish to sign the Constitution and become a voting member? Please e-mail Connie to set up a time to sign

All board reports have been submitted for online viewing prior to tonight's meeting.

Associate Pastor Call Committee

- The focus of the call was to be centered on our needs and deeper relationships and growth.
- Currently, there is a strong candidate at the Seminary looking for a team ministry. This is time sensitive.
- Last Thursday, Pastor Karg and Mary Ann met with the candidate and his wife and the rest of the board was able to meet with the candidate

Motion: Request placement of Alex Schrader by Concordia Seminary as the Associate Pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church – Olivette.

Questions that arose during the meeting:

- What is Alex's timeline? He is currently seeking a call right now.

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- What is a unanimous vote? This was not. The majority felt strongly however.
- What is his wife's background?
- What did the board feel his leadership skills were and implementing ideas?
- Do we believe in the Call process?
- Alex has a plan but God has another one.
- What would be our timeframe for interviewing other candidates?
- Do our bylaws require us to announce a voters meeting a few weeks in advance before we vote to call someone?

Pastor Karg has led us in prayer after these questions/discussion.

A vote to end the debate has taken place. The debate has ended.

A private vote has taken place. **Vote has passed to call Alex Shrader.**

Pastor Karg: He felt that Alex was very personable, like-minded. He needs someone to be relational and he seems to be that fit.

New Business

- Current budget for 2021-2022 has a deficit of \$94,000.
- Summer camp usually can offset \$15,000-\$20,000
- Links to the budget have been provided
- This budget includes an Associate Pastor and Vicar

Pastor Karg adjourned the meeting with prayer at 7:53pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Lindsey Hackmann