

Special Congregational Meeting
Sunday, September 12, 2021
GLC Sanctuary

In attendance: 50 Members
Parliamentarian: Todd Steenson
Clerks: Kraig Mickelsen, Chris Diamond

Council president called the meeting to order at 11:17am.

We are thankful to the Generosity Team over the past year and for the Mission Impact Teams who have taken time to go out in to the communities to the six non-profits that were identified that we already have working relationships with and discuss their needs.

The purpose of this meeting is to release the funds totaling \$75,000 out in to our community through these non profit organizations. The money will come from our operating budget.

Bridgit Dawson makes a motion to accept the recommendation of the council to distribute \$75,000 from the operating budget to six local operations as laid out by the generosity team. Second by Dave Krodel.

Discussion:

Council president shows the breakout of funds and volunteer opportunities per organization

Congregation member Chrissy Swanson (name written at member's request, a variance from Robert's Rules of Order) asks if the money is from the PPP and if we considered giving the PPP money back. Council president answers No, PPP money can only be used for certain things (mortgage, payroll etc.) Having those two rounds of PPP to use for those purposes did allow us to free up regular giving money for other special projects like this one. Even without the PPP money, we had an abundance of funds because of the generosity of the congregation.

Conversation continues about if we considered giving the money back and council and congregation members discuss our rationale for getting the PPP and how we used it and that no, we did not look in to giving it back and we do not know if it is a possibility.

The question is called by Barb Noble. Parliamentarian says once the question is called we need to vote whether to cut off debate or have more discussion. Council president asks member if she would like to retract her calling of the question so there can be more discussion and she declines and we move on to the vote to cut off discussion.

Vote to cut off discussion. All in favor to cut off discussion: 47, All opposed: 3

Move on to the vote on the motion on the floor.

Vote to approve the motion. All in favor: 48, All opposed: 2

Council president closed the meeting at 11:41am.

Geneva Lutheran Church – Mission Impact 2021

Dollar Distribution:

Tri City Family Services: \$20,000

- Training their employees for an intergenerational eating disorder counseling program they are implementing

Mutual Ground: \$20,000

- Money to go toward salaries for their therapists so they can pay a more competitive rate and retain them

LOMC: \$13,000

- Building and land improvements

Lazarus House: \$11,000

- \$1,000 for organizing their clothing closet, \$10,000 for other needs

GLC Parent's Day Out: \$7,000

- New televisions, storage systems, electric work and toys

St. Andrew's Food Bank: \$4,000

- One week food supply

Total: \$75,000

Volunteer Opportunities:

Tri City Family Services:

Fundraisers throughout the year, Adopt a Family at Easter

Mutual Ground:

Fundraisers throughout the year

St. Andrew's Food Bank:

Continue weekly volunteering

GLC Parent's Day Out:

Building the storage shelves

LOMC:

Work Days are always needed and appreciated

Lazarus House:

Clothing closet organization (once every two weeks), Yard Sale