

VISION COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA & MINUTES

Meeting Date: May 7, 2026 6:00-8:00 p.m.

In Attendance:

- ☒ Pastor Dianne Loufman
- ☒ Pastor Andrea Bonneville DeNaples
- ☒ President Diana Ream
- ☒ Vice President Beth Ann Johnson
- ☒ Past President Susanna Ojakangas
- ☒ Secretary Rachel Johnson
- ☒ Treasurer Bob Boman
- ☒ Amy Merchant
- ☒ Stephanie Lundorff
- ☒ Miranda Oliphant
- ☒ Jeff Karlgaard
- ☒ Tim Climis

Preparation for meeting: Please read through the last meeting's minutes (links sent in email) and this agenda. We will not take time during the meeting to read these documents. Click the Comments icon if you have suggestions while reading them.

Agenda Topic	Discussion Notes/Minutes	Follow-Up Actions
Devotions & Prayer	Devotions offered by Pastor Dianne. She shared the book <u>Becoming Rooted</u> as a possible focus for future devotions. The council agreed to use this resource next year.	Pastor Dianne will look into an economical way to purchase this book. Susanna will write the Council Corner for this month.
Adoption of Agenda	Motion to approve with corrections by Bob Boman. Second by Stephanie Lundorff Motion passes	<i>Once adopted, attendees agree that no additional topics will be addressed.</i>
Approval of last month's minutes	Motion to approve the minutes by Beth Ann Johnson Second by Susanna Ojakangas Motion passes	<i>Once approved, the secretary will make a pdf of the minutes and add it to the permanent church record.</i>
Pastor's Report	We have names for the two at large seats. In addition, Rachel Johnson said she would stay on for another year as secretary and Bob Boman will stay on as treasurer. One candidate for VP had to decline, but the	

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	nominating committee members are having a meal with another possible candidate. We had a youth interested in attending the Summit Leadership retreat at the end of the summer after attending theEco Summit. May 26-June 2 Pastor Dianne will be on vacation.	
Associate Pastor's Report	Juneberry table is going smoothly. This summer it would be nice to have a set day of the week to invite people to work in the garden . Paws and People will be at the end of the month. They have done this before at other locations, so they will set things up the way they need to. We're having a gently used shoe drive.	
Visioning Topic 1: Updates	See topics below.	
Treasurer's Report - Bob Boman	Bob Boman presented the financials from March. Total income for the month was 60,239 as compared to the expected \$75,842. The expenses were 142% over budget because we settled our benevolences with the Synod. A third of the way through the year we are in the black. The finance committee decided to take \$50,000 and invested it into a 5 month CD. This will allow us to make a couple thousand dollars in interest.	
Old Business Topic 1: Global Refuge Fund Raising	It was a great event. The vendors who donated were very generous such as Super One Liquor and Oasis Del Norte.. 60 people attended. The	

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	total donation to Global Refuge is almost \$7,831.62. The food and music was great. The chair covers really dressed up the room and the church should consider purchasing some.	
Old Business Topic 2: Beloved Child Task Force	We have people who are willing to serve on the task force. This will open up other issues such as the space the FLC Kids uses. In the future we need a dedicated person or committee to focus on youth group and FLC Kids.	The Beloved Child Task Force will meet.
Old Business Topic 3: Sale of the Chiropractic Clinic	The Sunday meeting was well attended with 115. There were 112 yes votes and 3 no votes to pursue a task force to look into buying the clinic. 15 people are signed up for the task force, including an architect and electrician. The group will divide into two groups: one for finding partnerships/grants and the other for building and finance. Met with Lakeside Early Learning and Courtney from Isaiah to tour the space and discuss options. There are options to partner with Aspirus. The building needs to be evaluated for structure and environmental issues.	
New Business Topic 1: Congregational Meeting June 14, 2026	The meeting will be June 14 from 9-10 in the parish hall. For food we will serve muffins and fruit. The meeting will include Synod Assembly report, elections, and discuss the Chiropractic Clinic purchase.	Susanna Ojakangas and Diana Ream will purchase the food for the meeting.

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New Business Topic 2: Ministry Team Update	Evangelism: Most things are pausing for the summer. We should update the contacts list for at large council members as well as the expectations for at large members. Tim went to the organ recital and it was wonderful.	Stephanie will put together a bullet list of what she does as an at-large member to be a starting point for developing the guidance for future members. At large members send Stephanie any contact changes.
New Business Topic 3: Synod update	Pastor Taryn Montgomery was elected the new bishop.	
New Business Topic 4: Bishop installation	The Synod would like to have the bishop installation at First Lutheran on September 12, 2026. The presiding bishop Curry will be here and guest musicians. There will be catered hors d'overs, but there will not be a meal. We would prefer they have the reception in the parish hall rather than the Gathering Space.	
Open Forum		
Next meeting: date, writer for prayers & Council Corner	June 4, 2026 from 6:00-7:30 the Vision Council will participate in a Boundaries Zoom training in the Learning Space.	
Reminders:		