

MN Lutheran Via de Cristo State Council Minutes  
February 3, 2025

Convener Greg Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**Members Present:** Pastor Paul Brown, Kirstin Gonzales, Carol Hellen, Brian Rath, Janine Schimmelman, Greg Thompson, Chris Van Hofwegen, Loren Van Pelt, Veronica Van Pelt, and Rosanna Chambliss

Members Absent: Monica Voss (E)

**Opening Prayer:** Pastor Paul

**To accept January minutes** (M: Motion carried).

### **REPORTS**

#### **Admin & Finance (Janine):**

- Trying to set up a tax exempt account with Bix Produce Co. and with Johnson Paper and Supply.
- JOG received from the team members for the upcoming weekends is way down. Janine spoke to the treasurers about emphasizing JOG. Lynn will also send a reminder to the team.

#### **Metro Director Elect (Brian)**

- Brian and Pete did not get a chance to perform an inventory on the trailer. Loren sent a list of what should be in each bin. Any supplies that were previously short have been restocked.

#### **Metro Director (Carol)**

- No January meeting of the Metro council.
- At the FMSC activity on 1/18, 10 participated at Coon Rapids and 9 at Eagan.
- Teams for the Men's and Women's weekends are both adequately full.
- Limited progress between Carol and Joe Remely on VdC liaison communications.
- No update on site selection for the August weekend. Greg proposed seeing if another weekend could be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Princeton with the goal of encouraging folks from the north district to participate.
- Brian, Kirstin, and Carol will be meeting to discuss a rector for the August co-ed weekend.
- Veronica has a booklet on VdC that she will get uploaded to the website.
- The first "Small Service Project" is still on schedule for March 30 at Faith Lutheran Church in Coon Rapids.

#### **Communications – (Veronica)**

- Focusing on agape decorations for the men's and women's weekend
- Sent email to VdC community with reminder of upcoming weekends, newsletter, etc.

**Metro Past Director (Kirsten)**

- Brenda has a plan for updating the list of musicians. Topic for the next Metro meeting.
- Greg will see about getting back all the Psalm 33 white song books from the North district and checking their inventory of blue/green song books.

**Next meeting:** Mon, March. 3, starting at 7pm.

**Motion:** To adjourn at 7:41 pm (M: JS/CVH; Motion carried)

**Closing Prayer:** Pastor Paul