

May 2011 Council Summary

- Approved financial reports, subject to financial review, received from the Financial Secretary, Operating Fund Treasurer and Building Fund Treasurers. Received reports from other leadership teams and staff for consideration.
- Approved recommendations from FMT:
 - To accept Insurance broker's recommendation to retain Cincinnati Insurance for general insurance package and umbrella coverage; the Hartford for worker's compensation; and WR Berkley for coverage for athletic activities.
 - To receive the updated list of Authorized Signatures for 2011 as a matter of record.
 - On behalf of the St. Luke's Bottle Band to purchase and install new curtains on the Henderson Hall stage and to authorize the president to enter into an agreement with Grand Stage for the work.
- Reviewed draft of the new Art and Design policy for St. Luke's. Agreed that with the updates made, the policy will be distributed to cabinets, staff and other leadership teams for review and comment back to the policy writing team for consideration.
- Approved recommendation to extend the term of the interim Arts & Design Team until the end of 2011 and during the extended term, that the team will report directly to the Council.
- Affirmed appointment of Joel Kwasigroch as cabinet coordinator for the Operations and Management cabinet to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Phil Stavrides.
- Received a report from Pastor Koch outlining the first steps in the call process and affirming the plan to place an invitation to the congregation to nominate people for the Call Committee in the June Messenger and other venues of communication.
- Reviewed a process for considering the receipt of (non-financial] donations to the congregation and agreed, by consensus, on the next steps related to a gift that has already been offered.
- Set June 24 at 6:00 p.m. for a council retreat.
- Agreed by consensus to designate \$175 from the Contingency Fund to finance an endowment request for school books in Poland that was misfiled during the 2011 distribution period and to present the request to the Endowment Team for 2012.
- Authorized Pastor Koch and Irene Jinks, president, to confirm availability of alternate voting members, elected by congregation, to attend the Chicago Synod Assembly on June 3-4 or to identify other replacements if necessary.