## **MINUTES for a Strategic Planning Session**

Tuesday, September 18, 2007

**PRESENT:** Ordained: Gary Arp, Mark Brase, Dean Duncan, Daird Korth, Dean Rothchild, Matthew Rueger, Brian Saunders, George Volkert, Wayne Woolery; Lay: Rich Balvanz, Carl Egger, Greg Gerjerts, Andrea Koenig and Lowell Schroeder.

Also attending: *Ordained*: Keith Brustuen, David Gerke, Daniel S. Johnson, Kristian Kincaid, Ronnie Koch, Kenneth Krueger, Max Mons, Michael Musick, Mitchell Otto, Gary Sears, Terry Small, Doug Woltemath and Victor Young; *Lay:* Dick Wenz.

- 1. Call to order. Greg Gerjerts called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- 2. Devotion. President Arp provided devotion and prayer based on Luke 15.1-7.
- **3. Strategic Planning Session.** Greg Gerjerts explained the purpose of this Strategic Planning Session and led the participants through the process of a strategic planning session.
  - The participants first met in small groups to discuss the opportunities that face the District.
  - Afterwards, these opportunities were presented to everyone while Greg Gerjerts recorded them.

Dr. Matthew Rueger led a prayer for lunch. Lunch

• The opportunities (above) were presented to the small groups on individual papers. The small groups discussed the possible goals and strategies as they recorded them on those papers.

President Arp led the closing prayer.

## A brief BOD meeting followed.

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\*Designates a voting member of the BOD. †Designates the Assistant Treasurer voting for the treasurer.

- **1. Call to order**. Chairman Egger called the meeting to order.
- 2. New Business.
  - a. Rev. George Volkert moved that the Board appoint Amanda Whitmer from Iowa City to carry out the duties of District Treasurer. Seconded by President Arp. Carried.
  - b. President Arp moved that Amanda be authorized to sign checks, transfer money, and all other financial matters related to Iowa District East. Greg Gerjerts seconded. Carried.
  - c. Dr. Matthew Rueger moved that Joe Armbrecht be removed as a District reconciler. Seconded by Rev. Brian Saunders. Moved to executive session. After executive session ended the Board voted. Motion carried.
  - d. President Arp moved to have Rev. David Hansen chair the Worship Committee. Seconded by Rev. George Volkert. Carried.
  - e. Chairman Egger read a letter from Pastors Mons and Doellinger, representing the North and South Cedar Rapids Circuits, asking the Board to act with due haste on the Chaplaincy vacancy at the University of Iowa Hospitals. Dr. Matthew Rueger moved to adjourn. Volkert seconded. Carried.

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Respectfully submitted, Rev. Dean Duncan IDE Secretary

Approved by the Board of Directors 11.6.07