The 2017 annual meeting was called to order by Pastor Tassey.

Names of Participants –2017 registrants

Agenda Items

1. Executive Director’s Report
2. 2018 Summer Training Schedule change
3. International Travel Team Report – Rev. Peter Kirby
4. Business Manager’s Report (included at end of minutes)
5. Local Leaders’ Report
6. Nominations Committee Report
7. Appreciation of those officers going off the Board in 2017
8. Installation of the 2017 Board of Directors

Pastor Matthew Tassey Pastor & Rebecca Nehrt Pastor Andrew Ratcliffe

Pastor Jacob Mueller JR Townsend Ben Debrick

Sandra Hernandez Jamie Louderback William Whitener

Dana Baker Ethan Boester Ted Drevlow

Devin Brammeier Kathryn Depaola

1. New Business – Summer Training 2018 Issues and Directions

The main points

1. In response to the reasons for Summer Training Schedule Change (shortening days)
2. No time for guitar workshops. The workshops had about 10-20 participants.
3. Only one canvassing time. A comment was made that since canvassing is the signature activity for OAFC, they felt that there should be more than 1 time.
4. No host night – Pastor Tassey explained that his experience with host night was that the hosts don’t like it, and neither does he. (“They ask, we have to do what?”) The person that made the comment said that he has had wonderful experiences with host night, and it was wrong for Pastor Tassey to take out an activity because he has had bad experiences.”
5. No drama/ puppet showcase
6. No workshops. Possibility of 1 Keynote speaker.
7. One comment was that if you add back in all the activities that the ambassadors were upset had been taken out, that would add enough activities for one more day. Pastor Tassey’s response was that when he attempted to add another day of training, the day was a day that didn’t amount to much. There were many conversations going on all over the room by now, and it was hard to hear. The girl behind us raised her hand for a long time, but with so much talking going on she gave up being called on and yelled out, “That didn’t make any sense, sir.” Pastor Tassey was not able to respond to all comments.
8. Because the tone of the meeting had changed to confrontational, many comments were being yelled out in response to the reasons for shortening summer training. It was hard to hear all that was said because a reason was read and multiple responses were spoken all at once. No responses were positive.
9. When Pastor Tassey mentioned that the registration fees do not cover the costs, Kristian Fosse commented that he felt the contributors to OAFC would not have a problem knowing that their contribution went to fund summer training. Pastor Tassey said that Pastor Fisk cost $500.00. Kristian said that the board should spare no expense when it comes to planning summer training. Pastor Tassey did mention that between the offerings and registration, summer training costs are paid for. This was voted on by the board at the January meeting.
10. When the reason was given to shorten summer training because of busier schedules, the comment was made that people need to prioritize their time. It was mentioned by Pastor Tassey that 5 people could not attend because of the length.
11. The end of the discussion on shortening summer training was a question asking if the board had already made the decision to shorten training or if this discussion was leading to a vote. Pastor Tassey said the decision had been made by the board.

Business Manager and Treasurer - Annual Meeting Report

Bank Account – (5/31/2017) – Balance - $37,476.12

LCEF – (3/31/2017\_ - Balance - $56,470.97

Total - $93,947.09

Number of Weekend Reports – 9 weekends – 565 calls

Number of Training Reports – 2

New Year’s – IL - 198

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church – Texas – 34

Trinity Lutheran Church – IL – 94

Christ the Vine – IL – 30

St. Luke’s Lutheran Church – IL – 25

St. Silas – IA – 211

Peace Lutheran – TX – 31

Faith Lutheran – TX – 41

St. John’s Lutheran – IL - 81

New RSO status went into effect on March 27, 2017.

(Give Pastor Tassey the certificate)

For insurance purposes, the OAFC van had been kept at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Galesburg, IL since its purchase. The title was in Mt. Calvary’s name. To insure it with Lutheran Trust was not going to be more costly, so the board decided to put the title in OAFC’s name and insure the van under our insurance policy. The van will be available to the SID OAFC group for weekends and the board will need to discuss further the use of the van besides Summer Training and Travel Teams. The trailer that was at Mt. Calvary was sold. OAFC still owns 1 trailer which is at our residence.