

**Seeds of Faith Shared Ministry Council**  
**August 2, 2009 Hope, Rush Center**

**Council members present:**

Wes Hemken (H), Penny Riedel (H), Rhonda Templing (E), Lisa Stambaugh (E), Ken Wiltse (P), Pastor Steve Little, Pastor Patricia Reep

**Others present:**

Art Riedel, Treasurer

President Rhonda Templing called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Pastor Steve opened with devotions.

Minutes were presented and approved. Reports were given by the Treasurer, Pastor Little and Pastor Reep. Treasure's report received subject to annual audit.

Highlights of Pastors' report:

First Communion sessions; Confirmation planning; National Youth Gathering

**Old Business Discussed:**

**Bylaws committee**

Discussed any issue with a congregation and a Pastor would be addressed by the SOF council. Additionally, the new council members would join the council at the next regular meeting after all annual meetings are completed. The new president would also take office at the time.

**Activities Committee:** A bingo night will be held at Peace on Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m..

**Audit committee:** Members include Kara Renz (H); Ann Parker (F), Mandie Wiltse (P) also chairperson. Emmanuel will get the name at the next SOF council meeting.

**Parish Newsletter:** Carl Immenshuh (P) is willing to do this. Each congregation will need to appoint a person to serve as the "reporter" to get the news to him by a certain deadline.

**Youth Gathering:** Very good group of kids that represented the parishes. There was discussion of the need to rebuild the youth group at Emmanuel.

**New Business**

**2010 Budget:** At this point in the meeting the Pastors were excused. The remaining group looked at the current budget and discussed issues associated with it. It was brought up that each church will be paying \$250 in rent for the parsonages starting in January 2010. (Peace and Emmanuel would be taken off their monthly payment into SOF). Due to items needing clarified, the group decided to call a special SOF Council meeting for Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at Emmanuel with the Pastors.

**Next Regular Meeting date: September 6<sup>th</sup> at First at 3 pm.** *It was decided that the first Sunday of the month will be the meeting time in order to insure continuity.*

Meeting adjourned with the reciting of the Lord's Prayer at approximately 9:30 pm.

Penny Riedel, Secretary