

Minnesota South District Mission Statement

The purpose of the Minnesota South District is to glorify God by: 1) assisting congregations in building up the body of Christ, and 2) providing mission vision, leadership and opportunities to the people and congregations of the District, so that all people might be reached with the saving Gospel and become disciples of Jesus Christ.

OPENING DEVOTION

Rev. Thomas Braun provided the opening devotion. He led the Board in Responsive Prayer 2. His devotion was based on Philippians 4:4-7. Here is a summary: The Chicago Cubs last won the World Series in 1908. Yet in spite of the longest championship dry spell in sports history, Cub fans still support and have a joyful expectation for the team. As Christians we also live in joyful expectation of our Lord's return. Such joy is expressed in the sharing of Christ with others. We rightly thank God first for the new life we have in Him, understanding the joy that permeates our life. He promises that His peace will guard our hearts and lives. From beginning to end our entire life is lived in the joy and peace of the Lord.

PARLIAMENTARY OBLIGATIONS

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:12 a.m. by the president, Dr. Lane Seitz, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Roll Call

Board Present: Lane Seitz, Daryl Gehlbach, Lu Clemmensen
Klemet Preus, Robert Van Gundy, Glen Meints,
Gerhard Bode, Tom Braun, Dale Ortloff, Steve Krause,
Larry Griffin, James Heining, John Moorhouse, Ted Tews,
Brian Thorson, Robert Trueblood, Scott Halverson, Karl Baumann,
Lynn Henry, Richard Eyerly

Staff Present: Kurt Fuhr, Timothy Kinne, Peter Meier, David Roth, Mike Zimmer

Excused: Mark Johnson

Adoption of Agenda

Dr. Seitz distributed copies of the revised agenda, which was adopted as presented.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2008, Board meeting as printed. The following corrections were made:

1. On page six, in the next to the last paragraph, line three, strike “Rev.” and replace with “Mr.”
2. On page eight, in the line just above item 10, strike “proposal” and insert “proposed.”
3. Correct the spelling from “Halvorson” to “Halverson” throughout the minutes.

The minutes were approved as corrected.

Correspondence

Dr. Seitz referred the Board to the following items of correspondence, which were included in the information package.

- 1) Letter from Ms. Bonnie Ann Wolle regarding Campus Lutheran Chapel, Mankato – January 9, 2009
- 2) Email from Rev. Anthony Bertram regarding the Mission Vision Group – January 15, 2009
- 3) Letter from the Alley Lutheran Church, Cottage Grove, MN, regarding the Board’s denial of their application for membership – January 16, 2009
- 4) Email from Rev. Klemet Preus regarding a response to the Mission Vision Group – January 23, 2009
- 5) Letter from Mr. Kurt Krumenauer regarding the District’s U of M property – January 27, 2009

VISIONING/STUDY ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS

Authority and Power

President Seitz introduced the Rev. Dr. James Gimbel, who spoke on the topic “Authority and Power as it relates to the MNS District President, the Board of Directors, and the Mission Committee.” Dr. Gimbel distributed copies of the outline of the presentation he made to the Mission Committee. A copy of his outline is included with the protocol copy of these minutes. In his presentation Dr. Gimbel made the following points:

- In a for profit organization a Board of Directors is elected to earn a profit for the shareholders. In a church body a Board of Directors is to serve the interest of Christ and the church.
- It is important that leaders in the church be exemplary in the areas of fairness, honesty, integrity, and respect.
- The MNS Board of Directors and the Mission Committee are not to be in dichotomy but in cooperation.
- The Mission Committee is expected to carry out the mission of the Church under the direction of and in cooperation with the Board of Directors and the District President.
- The District has adopted the Carver model but has not fully implemented it. One

- difference is that a CEO is elected by the Board of Directors; however a convention elects the District President.
- Transactional Analysis may be helpful to understand the dynamics of the conflicts we experience in the District. Ideally, we should function in a rational adult to adult mode. However, there are times when we get hooked into the parent or child mode. The parent-child mode is difficult for us sinful creatures to avoid.
 - The Mission Committee perceived the decisions of the Board as a parent talking to child despite Board insistence that it is not doing so.
 - The Board needs to sit down with the Mission Committee and determine the theological issues that are causing problems.
 - Even when there is a layer of structure the adult-adult relationship is the best way to approach issues.
 - We must take care to maintain churchmanship. When the Board members have expressed their opinions, and a decision has been made, then the group adjourns united in the decision. There should not be any “bad-mouthing” or attempts to undermine the decisions.
 - Trust is dynamic, and it changes based on circumstances at any given time. Trust is important and involves a common commitment. Are there expected rules of engagement among the Board members? The power structure can work if it’s followed.
 - Trust is a byproduct of many factors. Do you do things to create trust or do you do things because trust is there? The answer is yes.
 - The Board is interested in and invested in the work of the Mission Committee. There ought to be alignment between the Board, committees and other elected officials.
 - A body, such as the church, should strive to work together by consensus and not by democracy. A problem with democracy is that the minority may be right.

President Seitz led the Board in thanking Dr. Gimbel.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Concordia University

President Seitz introduced the Rev. Dr. Robert Holst, president of Concordia University, St. Paul. The following is a summary of his report.

- This past fall at Concordia saw a record enrollment of 2,644 students.
- The number of high school graduates coming from LCMS congregations has dropped precipitously.
- Among our Synod’s colleges and universities the number of students studying for a church vocation has dropped from 3,048 in 2000 to 2,023 in 2008. Over the same time period the number of pre-seminary students has dropped from 422 to 281.
- The good news is that more lay people are coming to Concordia because they recognize they are front-line missionaries in a fallen and more corrupt world.

- Minneapolis-St. Paul has the greatest influx of immigrants next to New York City and Los Angeles.
- A significant number of students entering Concordia are not Christian, and we have an incredible opportunity to present the Gospel to them.
- A big change for Concordia is technology. We used to print a daily newsletter, but no one read it. We put it online and people read it, but now they expect it to be available in a different format.
- There is a need for financial support. Synod provides \$500,000, but much of our support will come from donations.
- Concordia invites the District to view and promote the University as a partner in congregational ministries.
- The attitude of the young people is different. Many youth do not trust institutions; they attend church but do not join. They are smorgasbord Christians, picking and choosing what they believe.
- Electronics are going to be more and more important as a means to contact young people and communicate Christ.
- Concordia is working to recruit people coming out of the military for church work.

President Holst introduced Ms. Amy Scholz, Director of Church Relations for Concordia. She made the following announcements: Concordia, in partnership with the MNS District, will hold a leadership conference on April 4 for Senior High School students. On April 22, Concordia will hold its annual Junior High gathering.

President Seitz led the Board in thanking Dr. Holst and Ms. Scholz.

The Board was declared in recess for lunch at noon. It was called to order at 12:55 p.m.

SPECIAL REPORTS

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Camp Omega

President Seitz introduced Mr. Bob La Croix, Executive Director of Camp Omega. The following is a summary of his presentation.

- Over the course of 2008 there were 166 events, 5,458 guests, 14,208 user days, and 27,206 plates served. The revenue was \$156,900.
- In the summer session of 2008 there were 25 congregational day camps, 796 day camp participants, 1,503 summer campers and 2,299 total campers.
- The financial situation of the camp has improved in 2008 compared with 2007. The camp has not had to draw upon the \$30,000 line of credit since January 2007.
- The total income for 2008 was \$693,600. The income comes from summer camp (46%), retreats (23%), sales (5%), donations (15%) and other (1%).
- The ministry opportunities for Camp Omega include: (1) a continuing strong tradition of retreat season, summer camp and day camp programs, (2) inner-city day camp, (3)

weeklong therapeutic family immersion program for children with social learning deficits and their families, and (4) working with a grant writer.

- The American Camping Association accreditation is complete.
- The camp has a new full-time program director, Ms. Tracy Prescher.
- The camp is looking for people with architectural and restaurant management skills to assist in the development of China Town at the state fair.

President Seitz led the Board in thanking Mr. La Croix for his report.

“IT’S TIME TO FISH” & “FAN INTO FLAME” CAMPAIGN REPORTS

The Rev. Peter Meier, Assistant to the President for Missions, reported the following.

- As of the end of 2008 the “It’s Time to Fish” campaign has received \$249,664.79 in donations – \$195,378.84 is from individuals and \$54,285.95 is from congregations.
- As of the end of January donations to the national “Fan in Flame” campaign totaled \$43,057,993. Donations to this campaign from the District include \$1,851,388 from congregations and \$1,680,288 from major gifts.

Rev. Meier encouraged the members of the Board to participate personally in “Fan into Flame.”

POLICY REVIEW AND FORMATION

(no items)

INFORMATIONAL AND DECISION ITEMS

Mission Committee

1. Overture “To Equip and Encourage Members to Share Christ Confidently”

It was moved, seconded and carried to adopt the overture “To Equip and Encourage Members to Share Christ Confidently.” (See Appendix A.)

2. Overture “To Encourage Church Multiplication as a Means of Reaching New People for Christ”

It was moved, seconded and carried to adopt the overture “To Encourage Church Multiplication as a Means of Reaching New People for Christ.” (See Appendix B.)

3. Campus Property Task Force

President Seitz announced the members of the Campus Property Task Force: Mr. Will Bartley (Mission Committee), Mr. Mike Melchert (Finance Committee), Rev. Brian Thorson (Board of Directors), Mr. Greg Fairow (LCMS Campus Ministry), Rev. Peter

Meier (Assistant to the President for Missions), Ms. Lu Clemmensen (District Treasurer), Ms. Rosa Linke (University Lutheran Chapel), Rev. Monte Meyer (Campus Lutheran Chapel) and Rev. Dr. James Pragman (District President's at-large appointment).

President Seitz stated that he had asked Dr. Pragman to serve as chair, but the task force may select its own chair.

Finance Committee (no decision items)

Ministerial Health Committee (no decision items)

Schools/Commissioned Ministers Committee (no decision items)

Congregational Services Sub Committee (no decision items)

Communications Committee (no decision items)

Endowment Committee (no decision items)

Administration

1. Approve Constitution and Bylaw Changes

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the Constitution and Bylaws of the following congregations:

Christ Lutheran Church, Shakopee, MN
Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Rochester, MN
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Owatonna, MN

2. Response to theAlley, Cottage Grove, MN

Secretary Gehlbach distributed copies of a proposed letter he drafted responding to the request of theAlley for an explanation why its application was declined. (Appendix C)

It was moved and seconded to adopt this letter as the Board's response to theAlley.

President Seitz expressed concern that the Board has established new criteria for receiving congregations into membership. He asked that if the Board is going to have a checklist, then it should inform the staff as to what it is.

After some additional discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried to cease debate.

The letter was adopted by a vote of eleven yes, six no. The following Board members asked that their objections to the letter be recorded: Bode, Braun, Griffin, Heining, Henry and Krause.

3. Job Description for Rev. Timothy Kinne

President Seitz referred the Board to the revised job description for Rev. Timothy Kinne, which was included in the informational packet. His new position will be Assistant to the President for Congregational Services.

It was moved, seconded and carried to ratify the job description as presented.

4. Part-Time Director of Development

President Seitz explained that Evan Schiller retired from his position as Director of Development. He directed the Board to the proposal, included in the informational packet, for a part-time Director of Development.

It was moved, seconded and carried to accept the proposal for Part-Time Director of Development as presented.

5. Review of Agenda for 2009 District Convention

President Seitz directed the Board to the proposed Convention schedule which was included in the informational packet. He noted that the Convention this year will start earlier on the opening day in order to allow additional time for the Blue Ribbon Task Force on Synod Structure and Governance. He is proposing that floor nominations for all positions be conducted at one specific time, on Thursday afternoon, rather than throughout the Convention. He said that floor committee meetings will be Saturday, May 2 at Concordia, St. Paul, from 9-4.

6. Response to Mission Vision Group

Rev. Klemet Preus referred the Board to the resolution entitled “To Respond to Questions and Criticisms,” which was included in the informational packet. The resolution reads as follows:

Whereas, a series of emails have been circulated in which certain decisions of the Minnesota South District Board of Directors have been questioned or criticized; and

Whereas, the criticisms in these emails appear to have been based on one-sided accounts and misinformation; and

Whereas, these emails are promoting convention action to overturn some Board decisions; and

Whereas, these emails require a response both because they are seriously offered and because they are based upon less than the full truth; and

Whereas, no member of the Board of Directors can officially respond to these criticisms without the authorization of the Board as a whole; therefore be it

Resolved, that a committee of two Board members be formed which is authorized to respond on behalf of the entire Board to the questions and criticisms made about the Board's actions; and be it further

Resolved, that this committee seek to communicate to the entire district and particularly to the delegates of the upcoming convention with the desire to help these delegates make informed decisions; and be it further

Resolved, that the committee be authorized to, draw upon District funds and, if necessary, use District support staff to accomplish its work; and be it finally

Resolved, that this committee be comprised of Rev. Klemet Preus, Rev. Daryl Gehlbach.

It was moved and seconded to adopt the resolution.

President Seitz ruled the motion out of order on the basis of Robert's Rules of Order. It states that a Board cannot empower a subordinate committee to speak or act on behalf of the Board, unless the constitution and/or bylaws authorize such action.

President Seitz suggested that if the desire of the Board is to counteract any falsehood concerning its actions, then perhaps a letter would be in order directing people to read the Board minutes for themselves.

Rev. Preus then proposed the following resolution:

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Resolved, that this committee bring to the Board at its May meeting a plan to communicate to the entire district and particularly to the delegates of the upcoming

convention with the desire to help these delegates make informed decisions; and be it finally

Resolved, that this committee be comprised of Rev. Klemet Preus, Rev. Daryl Gehlbach.

It was moved and seconded to adopt this resolution.

It was moved and seconded to amend the resolution by striking the 2nd and 4th whereas and by striking the final resolve and inserting “Resolved, that this committee be appointed by President Seitz.”

The amendment was adopted by a vote of nine yes, eight no.

The motion as amended was adopted. (The resolution, as adopted, is given in Appendix D.)

President Seitz asked each Board member to submit one name for consideration as a member of the committee.

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

Lu Clemmensen presented to the Board the Treasurer's Report dated December 31, 2008. She explained a number of items and answered Board members' questions. The report was filed subject to audit.

LCEF Loan Activity Report and Delinquent Loan Report

Kurt Fuhr reviewed the LCEF report on loans. He noted that except for four congregations all loans are current.

Questions Regarding Reports (none)

Special Reports (See above)

ROUNDTABLE

(1) Tim asked for prayers on behalf of his son, Sgt. Michael Kinne, who is being deployed in Jordan and Iraq. (2) Jim announced that his oldest godchild is getting ordained on Sunday, February 8. (3) Mike announced that his granddaughter will be arriving later in the day for her first visit to Minnesota. (4) Karl asked for prayers for our nation to protect the unborn. (5) Dale asked for prayers for the economy and for the unemployed. (6) Gerry asked for prayers on behalf of Synod's *Ablaze!* effort. (7) Daryl asked for prayers for Pastor Steve Wiesenauer in his new calling as a missionary to China and for the Chinese mission in the Minnesota South District.

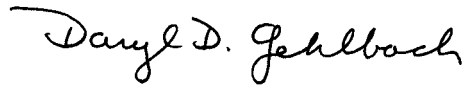
MEETING ADJOURNED/CLOSING PRAYER

It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting.

President Seitz declared the meeting adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

Rev. Tom Braun offered the closing prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daryl D. Gehlbach".

Daryl D. Gehlbach, Secretary

Appendix A

“To Equip and Encourage Members to Share Christ Confidently”

Whereas, God desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth (2 Timothy 2:4); and

Whereas, faith comes by hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ (Romans 10:17); and

Whereas, St. Peter urges all believers to "always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give reason for the hope that you have, but do this with gentleness and respect," (1 Peter 3:15); and

Whereas, Jesus told His followers to "make disciples of all nations," (Matthew 28:19) telling them, "You will be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8); and

Whereas, Christian witness is the vocation of every Christ follower and of every Christian congregation within its particular mission context; and

Whereas, The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod's Ablaze! initiative seeks to highlight this vocation with the goal of reaching 100 million unreached and unconnected people worldwide by 2017, including 50 million in North America; and

Whereas, The Minnesota South District has a goal of sharing the Good News of Jesus with one million people by 2017; and

Whereas, there are many witnessing tools available, as well as opportunities for training Christian people to be comfortable and confident in sharing their faith; therefore be it

Resolved, that our congregations be urged to affirm by means of their planning and action, that missions and evangelism is not a task to be undertaken, but is a joyful way of life for the Church and each of its members; and be it further

Resolved, that our congregations seek to implement ways to equip their people to share their faith confidently in their daily lives; and be it finally

Resolved, that every member of our congregations be urged to identify and pray daily for at least three unchurched people they know personally, while intentionally seeking opportunities to speak of Jesus with their friends and neighbors.

Adopted

Appendix B

“To Encourage Church Multiplication as a Means of Reaching New People for Christ”

Whereas, the Gospels call the Church to proclaim the Good News of forgiveness and salvation through Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:46-48; John 20:21-23), and the Book of Acts describes how the early church grew under God's blessing by multiplying disciples and groups of disciples, and the Epistles were written to groups of new believers who gathered together as new local congregations; and

Whereas, God's kingdom grows by the power of the Holy Spirit working through the Means of Grace, while the proclamation of the Gospel, evangelization and church multiplication is the work of the local congregation (Acts 1:8; Ephesians 3:10); and

Whereas, the harvest is plentiful, diverse, and ready (Matthew 9:3 7; Matthew 28:19; John 4:35); and

Whereas, there are many unchurched and de-churched men, women, boys and girls within the borders of the Minnesota South District who are currently not being reached by our existing churches; and

Whereas, there are many opportunities for outreach to the nations throughout The Minnesota South District; and

Whereas, new churches are the most effective means for reaching unchurched persons, multiplying new believers, new leaders, new groups and new congregations; and

Whereas, The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod's Ablaze! initiative seeks to start 2000 new congregations in North America by 2017; and

Whereas, The Minnesota South District has a goal to start 50 new congregations by 2017; and

Whereas, numerous resources and support for church multiplication are available from the Synod and District for those churches who desire to multiply; therefore be it

Resolved, that congregation leaders and pastors be encouraged to utilize available resources from the District and Synod in order to assess opportunities for multiplication and then act upon those opportunities; and be it further

Resolved, that each of the Minnesota South District circuits discuss potential sites and opportunities for church multiplication in their areas with the goal of supporting at least one new church start in their circuit or in a nearby circuit; and be it finally

Resolved, that our church leaders and congregations offer regular personal and corporate prayers to the Lord of the Harvest to bless our labors in His harvest field, asking the Lord to provide the necessary resources and to raise up qualified and competent workers to gather the harvest home.

Adopted

Appendix C

Letter in Response to theAlley

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Board apologizes for having not directly communicated with you the reasons for its denial of your application for membership. We believed that our reasons would be communicated to you by President Seitz or by the Rev. Peter Meier.

There are three reasons that led the Board to decline your application for membership. The first concerns communion practice. When your application was first received, a Board member spoke in private with President Seitz concerning a written statement made and sermons preached by Rev. Ben Griffin concerning the Lord's Supper and the LCMS understanding of close(d) communion. This led to President Seitz conferring with Rev. Griffin, and Rev. Griffin issuing a revised statement. At our December 2, 2008 meeting, President Seitz reported that the Rev. Griffin has "adjusted his practice of the Lord's Supper to conform closely to the position of Synod." The word "closely" seems to indicate that more discussion needs to take place.

The second reason for declining the application stems from the concern that theAlley doesn't clearly identify itself as Lutheran or that it is affiliated with the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. In 1995 the Synod in convention addressed this issue (Resolution 3-13A) as follows:

WHEREAS, We have been called Lutheran since the formation of our Synod (and since Reformation times) and are thankful for our doctrinal background and heritage; and

WHEREAS, The name *Lutheran* clearly identifies what the member congregations and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod believe, teach and confess; and

WHEREAS, Basic Christian honesty and integrity require that no deception of any sort be used in declaring the truth of the Gospel before all the world, as St. Paul declares: "Rather we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the Word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God" (2 Cor. 4:2); therefore be it

Resolved, That all congregations and mission stations in our Synod boldly profess in their official title and/or name that they are "Lutheran"; and be it further

Resolved, That all congregations and mission stations of our Synod state in their materials (bulletins, newsletters, etc.) that they belong to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod; and be it finally

Resolved, That all LCMS congregations gladly proclaim our great doctrinal heritage to a world that needs the clear proclamation of the truth.

One board member reported that when he visited theAlley worship service in October of 2008 he did find a reference to the LCMS in the material he received but it was very faint and difficult to read. Another board member visited theAlley in November; he was unable to find any reference to Lutheran or the LCMS on the worship material he received.

Furthermore, theAlley website on its home page doesn't identify the congregation as Lutheran or its affiliation with the LCMS. In order to learn these things the reader must click on the "About" link. On that page you find the following question and answer.

What kind of church is theAlley?

theAlley is an independent church plant of Woodbury Lutheran. We exist to equip people to “Follow Jesus” and to “Live Love”. [Click here](#) for more detailed information about our philosophy and theology. Our denominational affiliation is the LCMS.

The congregation identifies itself as an “independent church plant of Woodbury Lutheran.” This implies that theAlley is Lutheran based on its parent congregation, but this not the same as an affirmative statement to that effect. When it comes to denominational affiliation the letters LCMS are difficult to see until the cursor rolls over it. While this statement might comply with the letter of Resolution 3-13A it does not, in the opinion of the Board, fulfill the spirit of the resolution.

The third reason the Board declined the application for membership is that there was concern about the worship practices of theAlley. Three board members visited theAlley Sunday worship services in October and November. Each one expressed serious concerns that the worship service did not reflect anything of historic Lutheran worship. Nor did the service even follow the pattern of worship so eloquently presented by the Rev. Dr. Dean Nadasdy at the recent theological convocation. One Board member stated that at the worship service he attended there was very little, if any, emphasis on justification in the services.

The Board understands that theAlley is attempting to approach a certain demographic that is disaffected with traditional worship and denominational affiliation. Despite claims to the contrary one cannot effectively confess Lutheran substance when it is presented in the context of Evangelical style. Synod expects our congregations and mission churches to be unambiguous in identifying and confessing themselves as Lutheran. This is so that people clearly understand up front that they are attending a Lutheran, and in particular an LCMS, congregation or mission.

In light of the above reasons, the Board elected to decline theAlley’s application for membership in the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. It did so with regret. Our fervent prayer is that these issues will be resolved in a God-pleasing and timely manner.

Again, the Board apologizes for having not sent you a more detailed explanation of our reasons. We hope this letter helps you understand the reasons for our decision.

Sincerely,

The letter was approved by a vote of eleven yes, six no.

The following individuals asked that their objections be recorded: Rev. Gerhard Bode, Rev. Thomas Braun, Rev. Larry Griffin, Rev. James Heining, Ms. Lynn Henry, and Mr. Steve Krause.

Appendix D

“To Respond to Questions and Criticisms”

Whereas, a series of emails have been circulated in which certain decisions of the Minnesota South District Board of Directors have been questioned or criticized; and

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Resolved, that this committee be appointed by President Seitz.

The original resolution was amended (by a vote of nine yes, eight no) to strike the 2nd and 4th whereas and to striking the final resolved and insert “Resolved, that this committee be appointed by President Seitz.”

The motion as amended was adopted.