

**Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren  
Spring Church Council Meeting Minutes**

**May 20, 2018 at 12:00 p.m.**

I.	<p><b>Welcome</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Carroll Kreider, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 12:12 p.m.</li> <li>● Herb High will serve as parliamentarian</li> </ul>	<b>Moderator</b>
II.	<p><b>Prayer</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Pastor Pam said a short prayer.</li> </ul>	<b>Pastor Pam</b>
III.	<p><b>Overview of Agenda</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Agenda was approved as presented.</li> </ul>	<b>Moderator</b>
IV.	<p><b>Acceptance of Minutes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Minutes from the November 19, 2017 Fall Church Council meeting are approved as written.</li> </ul>	<b>Moderator</b>
V.	<p><b>Treasurer's Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Action A:</b> To accept the Treasurer's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Question from Al Sollenberger regarding the total of the unbudgeted expenses for the building project preparation fees.</li> <li>○ Motion by Al Sollenberger to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Seconded by Don Kraybill. Approved.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Exhibit A</b>
VI.	<p><b>Reports of Commissions &amp; Committees</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Christian Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Correction needed: "Nursery School" should read "Church Nursery"</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Expressions</li> <li>● Nurture</li> <li>● Resources</li> <li>● Witness</li> <li>● Deacons</li> <li>● <b>Action B:</b> To receive and accept the reports of the Commissions and Committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Motion by Rich Nornhold to approve the reports. Seconded by Anna Belser. Approved.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Exhibit B</b>
VII.	<p><b>Board Report - Building Project Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Congregation &amp; the Ministry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Refer to Frequently Asked Questions document</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Sketches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Board will review sketches on June 11</li> <li>○ Congregation will be able to review the sketches on June 17, 20, and 24</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Finances <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Finance Committee is researching lending options, considering a pledge campaign</li> <li>○ Financial Consultant report was presented at the May board meeting, which will be reviewed at a special meeting on May 22 by the Board.</li> <li>○ Building Committee is working on a total project cost</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Tenants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Board will be responding to the decision of the vote from today's meeting at the special meeting on May 22.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Action C:</b> To receive and accept the reports of the Board Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Motion by Jim Whitacre to accept the Board Report as presented. Seconded by Judith Gibble. Approved.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
VIII.	<p><b>Pastoral Team Report</b></p>	<b>Exhibit C</b>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Pastors commended the lay leadership and expressed gratitude for serving this congregation.</li> <li>● Request from Jim Hollinger to further the conversation that was started in the morning sermon regarding how boldness applies to this congregation.</li> <li>● Pastoral Report accepted as printed.</li> </ul>		
IX.	<table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;"><b>Position Statement</b></td> <td style="width: 40%; text-align: right;"><b>Exhibit D</b></td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren and Elizabethtown Child Care Center and Elizabethtown Community Nursery School</li> <li>● <b>Action D:</b> Does Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren affirm a commitment to serve as the landlord for Elizabethtown Child Care Center and Elizabethtown Community Nursery School for the foreseeable future? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Motion by Jim Hollinger to divide the motion in two parts, keeping the language of the original motion, but requiring separate votes (as listed below). Seconded by Al Sollenberger. Motion went to a balloted vote. 51 in favor, 47 opposed. The motion passes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Action E:</b> Does Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren affirm a commitment to serve as the landlord for Elizabethtown Community Nursery School for the foreseeable future? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ After considerable discussion, Al Sollenberger called for the question. Seconded.</li> <li>○ 97 in favor. 2 opposed. The motion passes.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Action F:</b> Does Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren affirm a commitment to serve as the landlord for Elizabethtown Child Care Center for the foreseeable future? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ After considerable discussion, Roger Killian called for the question. Seconded.</li> <li>○ 96 in favor. 10 opposed. The motion passes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Position Statement</b>	<b>Exhibit D</b>
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Respectfully submitted,  
Alyssa Cross, Church Clerk  
May 21, 2018