

Highlights of Council Meeting — March 4, 2024

President Glen Fynaardt opened with devotions from 2 Timothy 4:1-5. We are to be prepared to patiently give careful instruction from the Word of God, to correct, rebuke, and encourage, that we may faithfully proclaim the truth of the gospel.

The minutes of the February 5, 2024, Council meeting were read and approved.

The elders' report was received for information. Information was provided on the discussion they had with Alex Foley. The elders encouraged him to continue developing the gifts we see in his preaching, teaching, and discipleship. Alex has several initiatives in process, and he is not interested in pursuing full-time ministry as a pastor at this time. He will complete current preaching commitments and would be agreeable to assisting with pulpit supply as schedules work for both parties in the future.

The deacons' report was received for information.

The treasurer's report was received and approved. The General Fund balance was \$182,221 as of February 29, 2024.

The Council is thankful for a gift received from the Eugene De Jong Estate. The deacons are soliciting ideas for a special use for the funds.

Approval was given to a motion from the Local Evangelism Committee to contact Lower Grove Church about conducting Vacation Bible School together and/or investigating Child Evangelism Fellowship as possible options if we cannot find a volunteer from our church to lead VBS.

Jim Warden led in mutual censure, reminding members of their duties to minister faithfully to the congregation, providing opportunities for growth.

The next Council meeting will be April 8, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Mark Franje closed the meeting with prayer.