



**Special Meeting of the Congregation
Bethlehem Lutheran Church
Mankato, Minnesota
May 14, 2023
10:30 – 10:40 AM**

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: 103 (Quorum = 75)

1. CALL TO ORDER: President Mary Bliesmer

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 am with a quorum confirmed.

2. WELCOME & PURPOSE OF MEETING: President Mary Bliesmer

Members were welcomed to the meeting.

The purpose of the special meeting was explained: Election of 2023-24 members of the Council, boards and committees. This was not possible at the April 23 semi-annual meeting due to the lack of a quorum to complete official business.

3. ELECTION OF 2023-24 COUNCIL, BOARD, COMMITTEE MEMBERS: President Mary Bliesmer

The updated ballot was reviewed reflecting additional nominations made since the April 23 meeting:

- All of the **Council** positions are now complete with nominations for Vice-President (Matt Drewitz), Member-At-Large – 3 year term (Cynthia Zacharias) and Member-At-Large – 1 year term (Amanda Neubert).
- The open position on **Music & Worship** was filled by Marilyn Biedscheid.
- One of the three open positions on **Nominations** was filled by Amy Haigh.
- One position on **Stewardship**; 3 positions on **Finance** and 2 positions on **Nominations** remain open.

A call was made for BLC members to volunteer to serve in one of the 6 open board/committee positions outlined above. No names were received.

A call for a motion to approve the update ballot was made.

Motion by Christa Wolner; **Second** by Chuck Piehl to approve the updated ballot as printed. Approved unanimously on a voice vote by the congregation.

4. ADJOURNMENT: President Mary Bliesmer

A call for a motion to adjourn was made. A motion and second were made by members of the congregation. Approved unanimously on a voice vote by the congregation at 10:40 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bob Ihrig, Congregation Secretary