Woodlake Leadership Board meeting Nov. 20, 2013

Present: Monique Rupp, Jay Hermann, Leslie Kapocius, Jen Lesch, Laurie Beckman Yetzer, Pr. Fred Hanson, & Julie Windler

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:40.

2. Julie presented October financials and walked through pledges and projections used in formulating a draft budget. Several items were discussed at length. There was a proposal to discount the projection for plate offerings by 1%, which is what the projection was off in FY13. A motion to approve the amended budget to forward to the congregation was made, seconded, & adopted.

3. We reviewed the distributions approved by the Endowment Committee out of their earnings for FY13.

4. Julie shared that there is a likelihood that the custodial work will shift to being split among 3 individuals with the same overall hours & budget impact, since Jeffrey will begin taking classes.

5. We have been invited by the synod to host a joint Ministerium with the St. Paul Area Synod where the keynote speaker and preacher will be the new presiding bishop of the ELCA, Rev. Elizabeth Eaton. They would also want to highlight the redevelopment work we are doing, which is very exciting!

6. In discussing the agenda for the Annual Meeting, we realized we are not yet ready to call a vote on any bylaw amendments, but do want to use the opportunity to share what the purpose is, begin the conversation, and have a more comprehensive approach to addressing bylaws questions that will run parallel to the strategic planning process. We can then expect to make a fuller revision in line with the emerging organizational structure sometime next spring.

7. A motion was made, seconded and adopted that a policy be instituted that for any purchase exceeding $500, budgeted or not, the expenditure must be approved in advance by the Leadership Board.

8. Minutes from meetings in August and September were approved. Minutes from October were read orally and given preliminary approval.

9. Meeting adjourned at 7:50.

Taken by Laurie Beckman Yetzer