Present: Tom Espel, Greg Erickson, Russ Wastweet, Kalah Erickson, Brock Franke, Christine Bachmeier, Marianna Malm, Missy Froeber and Ylli and Nikki Doci

Meeting called to order by Tom Espel. The mission and vision statements were recited.

Guests, Ylli and Nikki Doci shared the opening devotion and prayer. The devotion reflected John 3, the story of Nikodemus.

Minutes from July – Russ Wastweet moved to approve the minutes from July. Marianna Malm seconded. Motion approved.

Financials - Russ presented the financial reports for July. As of June 30th, we have a balance of $18,451. The next influx comes in September. Russ will check into setting up the distribution so it is every 6 months making the next influx in January. Marianna motioned to approve the financials. Brock Franke seconded. Financials approved.

Old Business:

1. Giving Guidelines update – This item was tabled again.
2. Slovakia - Marianna gave a slide show presentation on her teaching this summer in Slovakia. Many of the kids from the first Bible School are now are now sending their kids to the Christian Education Center. They have grown so much that they are scattered in many buildings. The project underway is to convert an old publishing building into a main school with classrooms.

New Business:

1. Committee membership – Russ Wastweet and Kalah Erickson are amendable to continue serving on the Global Missions Committee. Marianna motioned to approve the continuation of Russ and Kalah. Greg seconded. Motion approved.
2. New Officers – Tom Espel is stepping down as chair of the Global Missions Committee. The other officer positions are also up for re-election. Tom asked for volunteers or nominations. Greg Erickson volunteered to be come chair. Russ Wastweet agreed to stay on as treasurer. Missy Froeber was nominated to be secretary and continue to take notes for the Committee. Brad Keller was absent, but nominated to become vice-chair. The Committee voted unanimously to approve the above. Greg as the new chair, took over the meeting.
3. Ylli and Nikki Doci - Shared information their mission work. Ylli is now the head of the evangelical alliance in Albania. He works with 4 other religious leaders and has been using his influence to open conversations with Albania leaders about Christ. Nikki has been conducting a secular international women’s group with the wives of the diplomats and big companies in Albania. Through this group, she is now conducting a book Bible study that has had significant impact on those attending.
4. **E=Hope Scholarship Request** – E=H sent a request for $6,000 to support the kindergarten and pre-k children at Carmen Bajo. Tom motioned to approve the request for $6,000 from the Lee fund. Marianna seconded. Motion approved.

**Other Business:**

1. There was no discussion or changes to the 2019/2020 GMC Budget. The First Lutheran Church 2019/2020 budget was passed at the Annual Meeting Aug. 4th.
2. Adrian Kacian will be in the States between October 2nd – 6th. The October meeting will be on the 3rd to accommodate Adrian. He will do the devotion for the October meeting.
3. Marianna will send the Slovakian slide presentation to Missy for use in Fun Facts.
4. There was no update on the 20,000 cups idea

The next meeting will September 12, 2019 at 7:00 am in the Adult Education room. Christine Bachmeier will do the devotions

Meeting adjourned with a prayer from Tom Espel

Respectfully submitted by

*Missy Froeber*