

94 previous voters + 4 new voters signed the attendance sheets. 15 proxy votes were exercised during the meeting. One of the proxy votes was a new voter that did not stay for the meeting. Therefore, number of votes available: 112.

Nancy Szulczewski opened the meeting with prayer and a devotion on unity.

Motion moved, seconded and carried to accept the following new voters: Marilyn Hocker, Alex Wolff, David Roman and Dan Lietz.

Alan Emslie of the FLC/ALF Steering committee gave a presentation (attached) of the history of the committee and a brief overview of the Memorandum of Understanding.

The resolution to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (attached) was presented as a motion and seconded (attached).

After discussion, a motion to table the previous motion was moved and seconded (attached). After discussion and a written ballot, the motion to table did not pass (57 not to table, 49 to table: 106 total).

After discussion and a written ballot, the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding was denied by a vote of 54 (no) to 52 (yes): 106 total.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Pastor Keith.

IHS,

Cindy Oliver
Secretary

[The following resolution was mailed to all members prior to the meeting:]

WHEREAS God has graced Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (GSLC) with over 48 years of ministry in this location, and

WHEREAS we previously resolved to “Adopt the Master Plan” (1999 June 2), and

WHEREAS we previously resolved to “Begin Phase I of the Master Plan” (1999 June 2), and

WHEREAS we previously resolved “To Complete Detailed Architecture & Engineering for the Family Life Center” (2002 June 23), and

WHEREAS we previously resolved “To Change the Master Plan and to Proceed with the Family Life Center” (2006 Feb 26), and

WHEREAS we previously resolved “to Revise the Master Plan Incorporating an Assisted Living Facility Footprint and to Proceed with the Family Life Center...” (2006 Oct 1), and

WHEREAS God has given GSLC and its members the wherewithal to finance the Family Life Center (FLC), and

WHEREAS our Family Life Center Committee has presented a proposed Shepherd House Memorandum of Understanding to create Shepherd House LLC for the purpose of establishing Shepherd House, an Assisted Living Facility, and

WHEREAS our Family Life Center Committee has presented a proposal to create Good Shepherd Goleta LLC for the purpose of implementing the Shepherd House Memorandum Of Understanding, therefore be it

RESOLVED that Good Shepherd Lutheran Church approves the “Shepherd House Memorandum of Understanding” as presented by the FLC Committee (attached) as a guideline for establishing Shepherd House, and also be it

RESOLVED that Good Shepherd Lutheran Church approves the creation of “Good Shepherd Goleta LLC”, and also be it

RESOLVED that the committees involved in realizing the FLC return to the voters at all major decision-making points, and also be it

RESOLVED that Good Shepherd Lutheran Church enters into this plan with faith in God to continue His Grace and to guide us with His Holy Spirit in our ministries for His Glory.

Respectfully submitted in His service,
FLC Committee: Cindy Oliver, Chairperson

[The following motion to table was presented during the meeting:]

RESOLUTION – December 9, 2007

1. WHEREAS, God has graced Good Shepherd Lutheran Church with over 48 years of ministry in this location, and
2. WHEREAS, the undersigned are members in good standing of GSLC who are seriously concerned about the present and future well-being of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, and
3. WHEREAS, the proposed Assisted Living Facility project is in violation of Article 7, Paragraph 2, of the GSLC Constitution, and
4. WHEREAS, the document presented is a binding Development Contract and not a Memorandum of Understanding, and
5. WHEREAS, the proposed agreement is vague, incomplete, and lacks revision control, and
6. WHEREAS, a Private Letter Ruling (PLR) has not been obtained to guarantee that Good Shepherd Lutheran Church shall retain its tax exempt status, and
7. WHEREAS, there is no limit specified for the amount of liquidated damages that Good Shepherd Lutheran Church would be liable for, and
8. WHEREAS, no financial due diligence has been performed to verify the proposed partner's financial viability, and
9. WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was drafted by the attorney who represents the proposed partners, and the MOUS does not show adequate legal advocacy on behalf of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, and
10. WHEREAS, there are concerns that the remainder of the donated funds set aside specifically for the building of the Family Life Center will be diverted to the Assisted Living Facility without approval, and

THEREFORE, we move that the resolution to approve the Memorandum of Understanding be tabled until we have resolved the constitutional issue to the agreement of all concerned members and a complete and fully reviewed Memorandum of Understanding by the concerned members is available for voter approval.

(signed)

Ray Buelow

Paul Burri

Doug Carr

Chris Clark

Duane Dunker

Dick Hegeman

Dick Lietz

Larry Scheffler