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**Redeemer Lutheran Church
Special Voters’ Meeting
November 6, 2011**

Call to Order: 12:00 pm - Jess Ihrke

Present: 97 (voting) members

Opening Prayer: Pastor Heining

Congregational Self-Study Summary:

Larry Stoen, Call Committee Chair , summarized the 3 week study results. Week one focused on assessing congregational strengths, opportunities for growth within our mission and desired Associate Pastoral functions. Results indicated Redeemer is welcoming to all, with a needed growth area being community outreach and the most important pastoral trait being people skills. Week two focused on needed areas of growth (community outreach), what the congregation needs now to be most effective (an Associate Pastor, care for current members) and desired Associate Pastoral traits/functions (family ministry). Week three focused on the most important qualities of an Associate Pastor, requirements for maintaining good relationships between the congregation and an Associate Pastor and traits/functions of an Associate Pastor. Top responses were: friendly, approachable and good personality as qualities, patience for relationships and preaching content as the pastoral trait/function. The differences in the Call process for field and seminary candidates were reviewed and a discussion followed. **Voting was conducted by secret ballot. Secret Ballot Vote Results:**

76 votes for Seminary call

20 votes for Field call

1 vote for either

By majority, the Call Committee will proceed with the Seminary call option.

Election of Lay Delegates to the District Convention

The District Convention will be held at Concordia St. Paul from June 12-14. Each congregation is entitled to 2 delegates, to include one Pastor and one lay delegate. A lay delegate and an alternate must be selected. Council has recommended that the congregation select Jess Ihrke as lay delegate

and Larry Stoen as alternate. **This was ratified by a unanimous voice vote.**

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Authorization to Continue Support of Ginger Lagergren in South Africa:

Council recommended that support of Ginger Lagergren, working with LCMS World Mission, continue at the current level of \$9,000/year through completion of her commitment in February 2013. **This was ratified by a unanimous voice vote.**

Meeting adjourned: 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Mundell