

**Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
July 17, 2007**

In attendance: Pastor John LaMunyon, Tom Ryan, Sandy Dahl,
Kevin Ostendorf, Shana Tischaefter, Kent Selbrede

Absent:

1. Tom Ryan called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. The agenda was set as presented.
2. Pr. John offered devotions.
3. Minutes from June Council meeting. A motion was made to accept and the motion approved. (Kent moved and Shana seconded.)
4. Treasurer's Report
 - a. June giving down from last year.
 - b. Revised budget with a projected 2007 giving of \$989,000
 - c. \$7,000 deficit in High School Ministries – may be from China mission trip.
 - d. General Fund is overspent by \$18,000 - money will be pulled from benevolence reserve.
5. President's Report

Conversation with Mary Laferriere regarding being on the coffee shop/book store committee.
6. Pastor's Report
 - a. Expenses for Pr. John to attend fishing trip, etc. are already in the budget, important for Pastor to attend,
 - b. Requirements for confirmands attending Church services should be a council decision and a congregational policy.
 - c. Attendance is down for the year, but the pieces are in place to start building. Youth ministries are growing, summer Sunday School will be in place next year. Both Pastors are working on the people connections.
 - d. Chinese ministry – Pr. John to write up the contract proposal for SHLC to be the fiscal agent and send out to Council in two weeks. Council to vote by email, and will be presented to the congregation at the picnic.
 - e. Pr. John distributed copy of letter that will be given to April regarding the position change to part time.
 - f. June 17th Pr. John had a pre-endorsement meeting with Carol Ann Buhler.
 - g. Looking into a mission trip to Africa next year.
7. Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.