

Richland Lutheran Church
Long Range Planning Team
August 5, 2013

Team Members Attending: Dave Brandes, Joel Sorensen, Pastor Ernst, Jim Lachut, Dave Larkin, Jenny Page, Sandy Steele.

Absent: Bob Thompson

1. Pastor Ernst opened the meeting with prayer at 7:05.
2. Draft LRP Review. The team:
 - Reviewed the edited version of the document and contributed refinements.
 - Decided to call the document: “Richland Lutheran Church: Our Guide for Today, Our Vision for Tomorrow (Guiding Vision).
 - Pastor Steve will work with the staff to refine and then edit the final version.
 - Decided to include a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQS) section to support understanding of the plan and the context.
3. Communications Plan. The team discussed the elements of the communication plan include:
 - Distributing the LRP by Saturday service, August 31, and Sunday service, September 1 – along with a cover letter.
 - Holding information sessions between the services September 15 and September 22.
 - Conducting a Special Congregation Meeting after the second service to approve the LRP.
 - Other possibilities include short temple talks and information in the bulletin – something for the September Preview.

Sandy Steele closed the meeting with prayer at 9:00.

The next meeting is August 12, 7:00 pm and will focus on developing the FAQS, refining the communications plan, addressing any questions referred to us by the staff editors.