



## **RLC FOUNDATION**

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February 2021,

Dear Richland Lutheran Church Congregant and RLC Foundation Member,

The RLC Foundation Board is conducting their annual meeting via this mailing. Due to current COVID-19 restrictions for in-person gathering, we are unable to hold our Annual RLC Foundation Meeting in person. However, the Governor has issued proclamations striking out any constitution requirements for organizations to meet and vote in person until such time that this state of current emergency is lifted, allowing us to consider alternative methods for conducting some of our business needs.

Enclosed in this mailing you will find:

1. Minutes from the January 26, 2020 Annual Meeting
2. RLC Foundation Annual Meeting Report
3. Board Members and Nominees
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Ballot for 2021 Annual RLC Foundation Meeting

We appreciate your partnership in ministry! Thank you for reviewing the provided materials and sending back your ballot to approve the 2020 Meeting Minutes and elect the nominated board members.

Grace and Peace,

Ginnette Ernst, Vice President

# **RLC Foundation Annual Meeting Report – Ginnette Ernst, Vice President**

Report Date: February 2021

**About RLC Foundation:** All members of Richland Lutheran Church are members of the Foundation. Voting members are those who have met the requirements for being voting members of Richland Lutheran Church.

**Planting Seeds of Ministry:** The RLC Foundation plants seeds of ministry which when nurtured by the Congregation and God willing grow into new and lasting ministries to the glory of God. A quick review of some of the seeds reveals how many lives are being touched by the work of this quiet behind the scenes partner of Richland Lutheran Church.

The RLC Foundation Board was able to fund the following ministry in 2020. Due to COVID-19, we did not meet and did not receive additional funding requests in 2020 after February.

## **Young Adult Ministry partnership with Flourish Mid-Columbia (2020)**

In partnership with Flourish Mid-Columbia, the ministry seed is used to help develop and implement spiritual transformation ministry to, with and for Young Adults (18-29 years old) in Richland Lutheran, local congregations, and the community. The funding provided Flourish with one year's worth of start-up employment costs for a Young Adult Minister.

## **Previous Seeds:**

- **Weekend School Meal Bags** (2019) is a partnership with community schools. The community is appreciative of our participation by serving several children. The weekend food bags provide multiple children-friendly meals for the weekend ahead of them.
- **Reader Board Purchase** (2018) replaced an outdated (more than 50-year-old) reader board with a new current technology and highly visible reader board. Richland Lutheran Volunteers installed the board and provides communications to the neighborhood and those passing by. Almost immediately God used the opportunity to answer the prayer of a person going by who was praying for a Grief-Share Program in the Tri-Cities for her mother, to direct the hungry to the food bank, and to help mothers to find a Vacation Bible School. Reports continue to come to the office about thanks for the outreach to the community.
- **Grief Share** (2018) funding has allowed the RLC Health Ministry to launch grief-care programs. A workshop for those suffering from the loss of a loved one began in January 2019. Funds provided for the purchase of necessary materials needed for classes including a DVD pack, Leader's Guides, Participant Books and other grief support materials.

## **Current Board Members and 2021 Nominees**

***Returning Board Members:*** Diane Bonin, Alyce Budzeck, Christer Jansson, Kris Mitchell, and Rich Olsen

***Nominees:*** Ginnette Ernst and Laurel Palmblad

***Special Thanks:*** We offer special thanks to Larry Haler (President), and Pam Hedges for serving on the board and appreciate their many contributions.

# RLC Foundation Annual Meeting Minutes

## From January 26, 2020

### Opening Prayer

Call to Order – Larry Haler, President

January 27, 2019, Annual Meeting Minutes – provided by Ken Meek, Secretary

2019 Projects Included: Weekend School Meal Bags

Treasurer’s Report – provided by Rich Olsen, Treasurer

### Calendar Year 2019

<u>Description</u>	<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Income (Interest/Dividends)</u>
01/01/2019 Balance	\$384,794.10	\$348,225.92	\$36,568.18
Interest/Dividends	19,095.96		19,098.98
Market Change	63,729.15	59,185.88	4,543.27
Donations	6,512.65	6,512.65	-
Seeds Planted	- 8,000.00		- 8,000.00
12/31/2019 Balance	\$466,134.86	\$413,924.45	\$52,210.41
Source of Donations		<u>2019</u>	
From Members’ Thrivent Choice		\$ 775.00	
From Members’ United Way			
From Members’ RLC		5,737.65	
Total		\$6,512.65	

In process: from members via RLC \$4,205.00 to 2020 from 2019 donations.

### Election of Board Members

- Returning members included Larry Haler (President), Ginnette Ernst (Vice President), Rich Olsen (Treasurer), Pam Hedges, Christer Jansson, and Kris Mitchell.
- The terms of Fred Kremmer, Ken Meek, and Loren Schmid are completed.
- Alyce Budzeck and Diane Bonin were nominated and elected to terms beginning in 2020.

### Call for New Business/Committee Reports

- No new business at this time.

### Adjournment

### Closing Prayer

Report provided by Ginnette Ernst, Vice President

# RLC Foundation Instructions/Signature Sheet

Instructions:

1. Copy your ballot and Instructions/Signature Sheet if there is more than one eligible voting member in your household.  
(C7.02.c – Voting members are confirmed members. Such confirmed members shall have communed in this congregation and shall have made a contribution of record to this congregation within two years preceding the posting of eligible voting members prior to congregational and special meetings.)
2. Complete the ballot below:
  - a. Approve RLC Foundation Annual Meeting Minutes – January 26, 2020
  - b. New Board Members – Vote for two (2)
3. Sign and date on the space provided below.
4. Tear the signature section from the Instruction/Signature sheet
5. Enclose in the self addressed stamped envelope.  
(**NOTE:** You must sign and date for your ballot to be counted.)
6. Place the sealed envelope in the mail. Mailed ballots must be postmarked by February 25, 2020.

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## RLC Foundation February 2021 Annual Meeting Ballot with Signature Sheet

Approve Annual RLC Foundation Meeting Minutes – January 26, 2020

Yes             No

RLC Foundation Board Nominees for term starting in 2021 (Vote for 2):

Ginnette Ernst

Laurel Palmblad

Sign and date:

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Signature (required)

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Date