

Notes & News from August 10, 2011 Conference of Delegates Meeting & First Days of 2011-12 School Year

1. **2011-12 School Year Theme:** The large banner in Commons serves as a daily reminder and encouragement. *“Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and He will establish your plans.”*
Proverbs 16:3
2. **Enrollment:** 9th grade = 68 10th grade = 79 11th grade = 63 12th grade = 64
TOTAL= 279
3. **Enrollment by Congregation:**

Congregation	# of Students	Congregation	# of Students
St. Paul’s, Bangor	9	St. John’s, Nodine	16
St. John’s, Barre Mills	11	St. Paul’s, Onalaska	59
St. John’s, Caledonia	3	Grace, Ridgeway	2
St. Peter’s, Chaseburg	4	St. John’s, Sparta	13
St. Michael’s, Fountain City	4	St. Matthew’s, Stoddard	9
Good Shepherd, Galesville	2	St. Paul, Tomah	6
Trinity, Goodview	6	English Lutheran, Viroqua	3
Good Shepherd, Holmen	10	Christ, West Salem	11
First Lutheran, LaCrescent	3	St. Matthew’s, Winona	9
First Lutheran, LaCrosse	43	St. Mark’s, Eau Claire	1
Grace Lutheran, LaCrosse	8	Zion, Eitzen	1
Immanuel, LaCrosse	10	Non-WELS	9
Mt Calvary, LaCrosse	14	International Student	1
St. John’s, Lewiston	12		
		TOTAL	279

4. **Tuition Assistance Fund:** The need for additional tuition assistance funding of approximately \$50,000 has been shared with the Conference of Delegates. Since the August COD meeting congregations have submitted \$9000 in additional tuition assistance.
REMINDER TO DELEGATES: Delegates have been asked to share the need with their congregations and report their plans at the November COD meeting.
5. **Association Center Building Project:** The Conference of Delegates approved the efforts to promote funding of the approved Association Center Phase 2 (Chapel / Auditorium & furnishings) and Phase 3 (three additional classrooms & no furnishings)
6. **Perpetual maintenance fund for Association Center Phases 2 & 3:** Established at \$100,000.
7. **Wireless network:** The Conference of Delegates approved funding of \$70,000 to be taken from the Chapel / Building Fund for a wireless network. This includes wireless infrastructure, 30 laptops, storage cart, software and training.
8. **Expansion of Scope of Association Center Project:** The Conference of Delegates directed that there be more study to better determine the prioritized needs of any additional capital improvement projects beyond the chapel / auditorium and three classrooms.

9. **Roof repair:** \$26,190 has been approved to repair the roof over the office area and south overhang.
10. **Track resurfacing project:** Was completed before first home football game. Special thanks to the Good Steward Store, Friends of Luther and others who provided the funding of this project.
11. **Other track projects:** Track coaches and volunteers are upgrading the discus and shot put areas and making a nature trail in Luther Hollow.
12. **Flag Pole:** The cell tower flag pole will need to be reduced in height to comply with FAA and city of Onalaska regulations.
13. **Water seepage:** After the eaves troughs were removed from the new classrooms we have experienced water seepage into the basement in the corner where the computer room roof meets the original building. To alleviate the problem Interstate Roofing has installed approximately 20' of eaves trough in the corner of the computer classroom roof.
14. **Ad Hoc Committee on Fellowship Recommendation:** After much discussion, the recommendation was defeated. (You can access that recommendation at Luther's website under the pull down "About" > "Board and Delegates" > Conference of Delegates Meetings > Fellowship Ad Hoc Committee Report as of June 2010)
15. **BOC Elections:** Pastor Andrew Schultz (Barre Mills), Pastor Arndt (Holmen), Paul Albrecht (First LaX) and Charlie Handy (Christ, West Salem) were elected to the Board of Control.
16. **BOC Officers and Committees**

BOC Member	BOC Officer	Committee	Committee Chairman
Pastor Wessel	Chairman of BOC	Bldg & Grounds	
Pastor Arndt	Vice Chairman of BOC	Education	
Kyle Rupprecht	Treasurer of BOC	Finance	Chairman of Finance Committee
Gregg Henckel	Secretary of BOC	Bldg & Grounds	
Dave Ekhoff		Bldg & Grounds	Chairman of Bldg and Grounds Committee
Paul Albrecht		Bldg & Grounds	
Jon Hahm		Education	Chairman of Education Committee
Mark Kutz		Education	
Pastor Wall		Education	
Bruce Jentz		Finance	
Charlie Handy		Finance	
Pastor Schultz		Finance	

Association Center Building Project – Then and Now

1. Phase One -

May 14, 1997 - Conference of Delegates authorized the building of the Association Center, which consists of a gymnasium, chapel/auditorium and three classrooms.”

May 19, 1999 - Ground breaking for the Association Center gymnasium (ACE)

August 2, 2000 - Pastor Richard Warnecke, a Luther alumnus, served as the guest speaker for the opening service of the school and dedication of Phase One of the Association Center to God’s honor and glory.

2. Phases Two and Three –

March 2000 - Funding for Phase Two of the Association Center, consisting of a chapel/auditorium began in with a gift of \$150,000 in the name of John H. and Adeline E. Rice.

September 2011 - Building and Chapel Funds totals \$419,431.71.

3. Second Computer Lab –

August 10, 2011 - Since the building program was approved over 10 years ago, it was not foreseen that we might benefit more from a wireless network vs. a stationary computer lab. The benefits of a wireless network include the ability to add more laptops/carts without having to invest in additional infrastructure, no classroom space is lost because you are not dedicating a physical space for a computer lab, and instructors can bring the computer lab into their own classroom space vs. needing to relocate.

4. "Lift High the Cross" is the theme of the current building project which will include a chapel / auditorium and three additional classrooms as God grants sufficient funding. How appropriate that the effort to provide a place which will be the focal point of our student body worship and sacred concerts be proposed under the theme, "Lift High the Cross." While the estimated cost of this project is between \$1.8 and \$2 million, the Lord has already provided significant financial blessings. A gift of \$1.1 million is coming in January of 2013! By Conference of Delegates directive, construction of all phases of the Association Center is subject to adequate funding. To God be the glory.