

St. Pauli Cemetery Association

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“Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.”

1 Corinthians 12:12

May 23, 2026

10:00 AM

Location: St. Pauli Lutheran Cemetery

If there is inclement weather, we will meet at Calvary Lutheran Church Basement in Wallace, SD

- Benches are available to sit on at the cemetery
- You are welcome to bring a lawn chair
- Bring your own coffee/drink
- Rolls/Pastries will be provided

Notes

The meeting was held at Calvary Lutheran Church in Wallace due to the cold temperature, damp conditions, and brisk winds.

Thank you to Kornel Wibeto for making coffee and to Wayne and Connie Kinstad for the pastries.

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 AM by President Bryan Nelson.

Introductions

Nathan Meland, Gwen Conklin, Sandra Lamer, James Hagen, James & Susan Thorson, Kornel Wibeto, Bryan Nelson, Wayne & Connie Kinstad, Kathy Haugan, Roger & Lorrie Hogstad, Kari Hogstad

Devotion/Prayer

Kathy (Dragsten) Haugan led the devotion and prayer based on 1 Corinthians 12:12.

Treasurer Report

Wayne Kinstad made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented by Nathan Meland, James Hagen 2nd. Motion carried.

Secretary Report

James Hagen made a motion to accept the Secretary's report as emailed and presented by Kathy Haugan, James Thorson 2nd. Motion carried.

Old Business

Gravesite Identification - Kornel Wibeto, James Hagen, James Thorson, Heidi (Dragsten) Barcia

- According to the cemetery map, there are 19 graves that are unidentified and currently unmarked. In addition, there are other graves where the identity of the individual is known, but no marker is present. The association's goal is to place flat cross markers on the unidentified graves and flat cross markers with names on the graves where the individual is known. Dates of birth and death are unknown in both situations. The markers will be flat to allow for easier mowing and maintenance of the cemetery grounds.
- Roger Hogstad and Sandra Lamers volunteered to serve on the subcommittee. Roger will contact a monument company to obtain pricing for flat cross markers for the unidentified graves and flat cross markers with names for the known graves without markers. Sandra will also research pricing through a quartz company in her area. The committee will work to determine the final counts of unidentified and unmarked graves. A member of the group will also need to compare the cemetery map by walking the grounds to determine which identified graves currently lack markers. Kathy Haugan will email the group so members have each other's contact information.

Tipped Stones

- Association members who live near the cemetery have been working to level tipped stones throughout the cemetery. Progress in this area has been going well.

Memorial Shelter pressure-washed and a sealant coat

- This project was completed in August 2025 by Ben Nelson, Bryan Nelson, Kathy Haugan, Nathan Meland, and Kornel Wibeto.

Bell Wood Repair

- The association determined that we would seal the wood with no repairs needed at this time. Kathy Haugan, Wayne, and Connie Kinstad will work on this project in the summer of 2026. Kathy has the sealant that was left over from the Memorial Shelter.

Holes to be filled

- This is an ongoing project and will not be listed on the agenda going forward.

St. Pauli Articles of Incorporation – Original

- The Ustrud family gave the original St. Pauli Articles of Incorporation to the association. Kathy Haugan is in possession at this time. Kathy posted a photo of the articles on the website. Wayne Kinstad will check with the South Dakota Historical Society as well as the Codington County Historical Society to determine the best way to preserve this document.

Outhouse Painting

- The outhouse will be painted by Kathy Haugan, Wayne and Connie Kinstad in the summer of 2026. Kathy has the paint for this project.

Secretary Book of Minutes

- Kathy Haugan has started to digitize the Secretary's book and will finish it over the next year. This will be posted on the website. The secretary's book may be one of those items that is given to a historical society.

New Business

St. Pauli Artifacts

- Wayne Kinstad will research options as described above.

Cemetery Association Funds

- The group made a decision to pay for mowing through the SD Community Foundation Funds. Nathan Meland will fill out the appropriate paperwork.
- Thrivent \$250 grant – Thank you to Sandra Lamers for applying for this grant. Thrivent also sent t-shirts and notebooks. Spending of this grant will be left to the board to decide how to spend the grant. Funds must be spent by October 2026.
- Kathy Haugan made a motion to donate \$250 to Calvary Lutheran Church for their hospitality over the years, Connie Kinstad 2nd. Motion carried.
- Ben Nelson will update the cemetery map.

Elections

President

- Vice President Wayne Kinstad took over the meeting. Kornel Wibeto nominated Bryan Nelson to continue his position on the board. James Thorson 2nd. Motion carried. Discussion ensued. Bryan accepted the nomination. Bryan Nelson will remain on the board.

Appointments

- The Board appointed Kathy Haugan to remain as webmaster.

Adjourn

- Bryan Nelson led the group in the Lord's Prayer.
- James Hagen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, James Thorson 2nd. Motion carried.

The Meeting adjourned at 10:57 AM.