

NORTH HEIGHTS

North Heights Council of Elders Meeting Minutes

April 7th, 2026

These minutes were approved on May 7, 2026

Members Present: Mike Laseter, Loree Petersen, Lance Swanson, Wally Bomgren, Paul Jacobsen, Duane Haugen, John Oldfield (ex-officio), Jordan Gehlhar, (ex-officio), Jason DeShaw (ex-officio)

Members Absent: Rob Fitzer

Meeting Called to Order at 6:41pm.

Opening Prayer: Wally

Approval of Agenda: There was one addition to the agenda. Wally made a motion to approve the amended agenda; it was seconded by Mike and then unanimously approved.

Ministry Wins:

The son of a person in bible study was full of cancer. He went through various treatments, and the latest report is that he has one small spot left in a lung. Praise the Lord, it is a miracle!

There is a couple in Washington state that has a ministry and a safe house for trafficked women. It's really an astounding ministry for a very difficult clientele. This ministry is really exciting and really amazing.

A friend was invited to and attended our Easter Service and was very impressed with how nice everyone was in the church.

Several families were invited to attend Easter Service and commented that they were very impacted by the service.

Others were invited to Easter Service and mentioned that they had an awesome experience and overall everything was super positive.

There were 151 children and 370 people in total at the Easter egg hunt, and 18 families that were there attended North Heights on Easter Sunday for the first time.

Election of New Council Secretary: Rob has decided to voluntarily step away from the Council Secretary position due to his travel schedule between now and the end of the fiscal year. After

discussion, Paul made a motion to nominate Duane to be the new Council Secretary, it was seconded by Wally and then unanimously approved.

Establish the Call Committee: According to the Constitution, the Council President, Council Vice President and Council Secretary will be members of the Call Committee. John Oldfield (ex-officio) will also serve on the Committee. The following members have been nominated to be at-large members of the Committee: Loree Peterson, Tasse Swanson, Christopher Carlson, Nancy Goodmunson, Sonja Bigalk, Morgan Sieg and Doug Bergstrom. Paul made a motion to approve the nominated at-large members and was seconded by Lance. The motion was approved unanimously.

If the Committee's task to find a Senior Pastor is not finished when Loree's term on the Council expires in May 2026, she will then remain on the Committee as an at-large member. The newly elected Council President will then assume her constitutionally required position on the Committee.

Chairperson of the Call Committee: Wally made a motion to nominate Duane to be the Chairperson for the Call Committee, it was seconded by Paul and was unanimously approved.

Transition Team Report:

The Seder Experience: This was an outstanding event where we have heard many positive comments about it. There have been some communications already on how in the future this event could be improved.

Palm Sunday: This day was super high energy in both locations with involvement from the children that kind of set the tone for everything that was going to happen for the rest of the week.

April 1st Prayer Night: Approximately 175 attended this intimate event in the chapel which included communion and was centered around Colossians 3:10-17.

Good Friday Service: This was a very touching service held at Arden Hills.

Easter Egg Hunt: This was a real blessed event with 151 children and 370 people in total.

Easter Services: There were 8 people at Roseville and 13 at Arden Hills that raised their hands to either commit or recommit their lives to Jesus!

Fifth Sunday Strategy: Fifth Sundays have recently been days where there were combined services. These services seem to have lost some of their importance. The Transitional Team has decided to put a pause on them for now until we can come to a point where we can really emphasize what the vision for combined services should be.

New Members Class: The next classes will be held on April 15th and April 22nd at 6:30 pm.

Attendance Report: We continue to monitor church attendance. Currently, we are now looking at 5 week averages to be used for comparison with previous 5 week averages. There has been an uptick in attendance at services and also for those watching online.

John's Report:

Town Hall Meeting Agenda: The Council reviewed a handout detailing the agenda for the upcoming Town Hall Meeting. Duane made a motion to approve the agenda and was seconded by Wally. The motion was approved unanimously.

Annual Meeting Agenda: The Council reviewed a handout that detailed the agenda for the upcoming Annual Meeting. Duane made a motion to approve the agenda and was seconded by Lance. The motion was approved unanimously.

Nominations for Elections at Annual Meeting:

Council of Elders: The following candidates have been nominated to serve on the Council of Elders: Wally Bomgren, Tim Goodmanson, Sonja Bigalk, and Chuck Holden. Paul made a motion to approve these candidates; it was seconded by Duane and then unanimously approved.

NHCA School Board: The following candidates have been nominated to serve on the NHCA School Board: Mary Edo Wood, Lori Lasseter, Barry Helgeson, and Sheila Sigecan. Paul made a motion to approve these candidates; it was seconded by Duane and then unanimously approved.

Nominating Committee: The following candidates have been nominated to serve on the Nominating Committee: Karen Argo, Gloria Mueller, Loree Peterson, and Rhonda Molstrom. Paul made a motion to approve these candidates; it was seconded by Mike and was unanimously approved.

New Business: None

Adjourn: Wally made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Mike and then unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Closing Prayer: Paul, Lance, and Loree

Respectfully Submitted,

Duane Haugen

North Heights Council Secretary