

# Minutes of the Unified Board Meeting - St. Paul's United Church Sunday, January 20, 2019

**In Attendance:** Judy Limpright, Val Jackson, Doug May, Gordon Molinski, Darlene Molinski, Sherry Swain-Pelletier, Leone Rondeau, Linda Gibson, Vanessa May, Allan Cassidy and Cheryl Cassidy

**Regrets:** Barry Barylski

## **Call to Order:**

-Sherry Swain-Pelletier called the meeting to order at 11:17 a.m.

## **Prayer:**

-Judy Limpright offered the opening prayer.

## **Adoption of the Agenda:**

**Motion:** That the agenda be adopted with *Gratitude Committee* and *Lunch for Enneagram Workshop* added under **New Business**.

Doug/Gord

**Carried**

## **Minutes of the Previous Meetings:**

**Motion:** That the minutes of the December 16<sup>th</sup> meeting be adopted.

Allan/Leone

**Carried**

## **Correspondence:**

### Incoming mail:

-The Statistical Report was received and will be filed by Cheryl.

### Outgoing mail:

-A get well card was sent to Reg Black who broke three ribs falling on ice.

-Eighteen thank you cards were sent to the individuals who helped construct the storage shed.

## **Committee Reports and Discussion:**

### Financial Statement

**Motion:** The financial statement be accepted as presented.

Allan/Val

**Carried**

-It was noted the special Christmas envelopes collected \$3496.00.

### Sunday School

-There is a regular crew of children attending Sunday School each week.

-Sherry took Alina Wiens to the Steinbach Pool and Dairy Queen as her reward for memorizing all of the *Books of the Bible*.

### Worship & Music

**Action:** Leone will purchase a gift for Lorene Stepaniuk who retired from the choir after 28 years. **Completed – the presentation has been made to Lorene.**

-The committee is meeting Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.

-After a general discussion as to what to do with the organ and how to set up the church to include the screen and projector, it has been left with the Worship and Music Committee to make final decisions.

## **Ministry and Personnel**

-Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> will be our final service with Judy Limpright as our minister.

## **Region 5:**

-No new information is available.

## **Minister's Report**

-Judy's work with Steinbach United Church as their pastoral charge supervisor has concluded as they have hired a new gap minister for ten hours a week until the end of June.

-The Christmas Eve service was well received.

-There was no ministerial meeting this month.

-St. Paul's United Church is responsible for the January 30<sup>th</sup> service at East Gate Lodge.

-Available in the office is a *Giving Program Information Package* that shows how to organize a stewardship program.

-Lori Houle from Edge has notified us of a deadline to apply for a grant for a student for the summer months who could do part church work and part community work.

## **Chairperson**

-No report.

## **Building Upkeep and Church Supplies**

**Action:** *Gord will get the fire extinguishers tested and put a fire extinguisher into the new storage shed.*

### **Completed**

-The new LED light for the outside entrance has been ordered.

-The scaffolding will be stored in the storage shed.

## **Haystack Productions**

-No report.

## **Memorial Report**

-For the month of December, interest earned was \$14.56.

-A \$500.00 donation was received.

-The account stands at \$8487.12.

## **Newsletter**

-No report.

## **Website**

-In December there were 161 hits to our site and 85 hits to date in January. Forty per cent are from Winnipeg and six per cent are from Selkirk.

-The *2019 United Church Manual* is now available at <https://www.united-church.ca/sites/default/files/the-manual-2019.pdf>.

-Sherry will delete the 2017 Unified Board minutes from the website.

## **Board Member Reporting to the Congregation**

-Cheryl will give the highlights of the minutes of the board meeting at one of the upcoming services.

## **Previous Business Still Under Discussion:**

### **A: Fundraising Ideas for the Church**

#### **1- 2019 Open Your Hearts 11<sup>th</sup> Concert – Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>:**

**Tracy Kohne, who has been nominated for the Western Canadian Blues Award, has agreed to be our entertainer for the concert at the cost of \$200.00.**

**The funds raised will be donated to the building of the storage garage that Haystack will be using.**

-Val will do a write-up and ad for the February 14<sup>th</sup> edition of the Clipper.

-Darlene and Val will be responsible for the refreshments for that evening.

-Doug will greet guests at the door upon arrival and Al will thank them for coming at the end of the evening.

-Vanessa will be responsible for the “donation table” with envelopes for charitable receipts.

### **B: Vision Session Planning**

-No report.

### **C: Ministry Profile Committee**

-Sherry and Linda will be contacting Judy Hare directly for clarification on our next steps for hiring a new minister.

## **New Business:**

### **A: Dates for the Annual General Meeting & Committee Reports**

-The Annual General Meeting & Potluck will be held on Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. The agenda was discussed as to New Business items for that meeting.

-At the potluck, donations will be received for the Refugee Committee.

### **B: Becoming an Affirming Church**

-It was decided to postpone beginning to work on this until a new minister has been hired.

### **C: Subscription for the United Church Observer**

**Motion:** To purchase a subscription for the *United Church Observer* for office use.

Leone/Allan **Carried**

### **D: Gratitude Committee (Val)**

-There was a general discussion addressed by the board as to how we show gratitude in our church.

### **E: Lunch for the Enneagram Workshop (Leone)**

-Linda has volunteered to help. Leone will contact other potential organizers for the lunch as suggested by the board.

## **Membership Updates:**

-Jacqueline Reidy and her three children have been added to our Current Membership List.

-A new email address was received for Betty Swain.

## **General Board Announcements:**

-No new announcements.

**Next Meeting:**

-The next meeting will be held on Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup> following the church service.

**Closing Prayer:**

Judy Limpricht offered the closing prayer.

**Adjournment:**

**Motion:** That the meeting be adjourned.

Gord

Sherry declared the meeting adjourned at 1:12 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Chairperson)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Secretary)