

MINUTES – Woodlawn United Church Council, January 19th, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: Co-Chair Barry Zwicker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

In light of the COVID-19 this meeting was held by ZOOM.

IN ATTENDANCE VIA VIDEO: Barry Zwicker, Brian Moors, Cathy Kay, Rev Dale Skinner, Fay Gunter, Helen Dixon, Jerry Jackson, Keith Musselman, Kelly MacNeil, Lisa Allen, Rev Mary Lynne Whyte, Paul Whyte, Teri Giannou,

OPENING PRAYER – Barry led the meeting in an opening prayer.

WELCOME: Barry welcomed all to the meeting.

AGENDA – The agenda was modified and approved with the addition of New Business: Discussion re: Woodlawn webpage.

TIME OF ADJOURNMENT – It was agreed to a 9:00 p.m. adjournment.

CORRESPONDENCE – Items #1 Membership report- Bob Watt (for information no action required)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – It was agreed by consensus that the minutes of December 14th, 2021 be accepted as circulated.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Council Secretary –** Issue was following last meeting that the Manual does not allow an employee to hold the position of Council Secretary. Consultation with Rev Faith March-MacCuish... indicated that the scribe work done by the council secretary could be done by an employee while the “church officer” called Council Secretary would be held by a non-employee member of council. Agreed by consensus to try this beginning in February, 2022 with Shelley acting as Council scribe with a trial period of up to 3 months to see how it works out for Council and Shelley. Barry to send Shelley the request to do this.

- 2) Budget 2022, revised budget attached from A&M –** Keith noted that 2021 results were greatly assisted by Federal subsidies and that it was difficult to predict numbers for 2022. PAR givings were a great stabilizing influence on our ability to stay in the black and as noted the letter from A&M to the congregation encouraged people to move to PAR.

- 3) AGM –** Scheduled for Feb 27, 2022. To be held via ZOOM. Date and time to be announced in church and bulletins. Package to go out to congregation early in February with 2021 AGM minutes, 2021 Financial report, 2022 proposed Budget, 2022 meeting Agenda. Annual report to be sent 2 weeks prior to AGM. People encouraged to send any questions relating to this information to Barry as we did last year.

- 4) Nominations –** Adelia had to stepped down from her role on nominations so there is technically no longer a committee. Jerry, Barry and Fay to work together (with council assistance, suggestions) on gathering suggestions to fill the open council positions.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. M&P letter from Shelley-** In camera discussion ensued. Following discussion it was agreed that Shelley would be given a \$2500.00 pay increase commencing March 1, 2022.

2. **Woodlawn Website** – After discussion it was decided that Paul would speak to Shelley with respect to the possibility of her performing routine updates on our web site to possibly include: monthly church events, advertising page updates, what's new etc.

ROUND TABLE –

1. Brian spoke about a Stewardship project currently underway to 'Inspire, Invite and Thank' the congregation.
2. Keith spoke about the importance, both financially and to our community outreach, to positively view the possible long term rental of Room D by the DASC group of adults with intellectual disabilities. Paul to follow up with group to gauge interest level. It was indicated by several members that there could be both Federal and Region 15 money to support any required renovations and that this would need to be explored further.
3. Teri noted that due to Covid-19 and the lack of congregants and renters in the Church that the cleaner has agreed to do some painting in lieu of some of the cleaning that is currently not required.

NEXT MEETING – February 16th, 2022.

CLOSING PRAYER – Rev Dale offered a closing prayer.

ADJOURNMENT – Barry adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Barry Zwicker – Co Chair

Submitted by: P Whyte – temporary acting Secretary