

WOODLAWN UNITED CHURCH COUNCIL

MINUTES

MAY 17, 2017

Call to Meeting

Opening Prayer: Provided by Rev. Phillip

Welcome and Introductions

Jane Cushing was welcomed to the table as she was interested in the discussion around remit #4.

Present: Helen Dixon, Ivan Richardson, Dennis Dean, Brian Moors, Don Trider, Fred Evans, Jerry Jackson, Phillip Kennedy, Todd Ellis, Nancy Allen, Teri Giannou,

Regrets: Cathy Kay, Shannon MacLean, Diane Avery

Approval of Agenda: Agreed

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Denis commented that the appraisal will have to be reviewed for insurance purposes due to the amount of work completed since the last appraisal.

Minutes were approved with that understanding.

Old Business and Business Arising

We discussed the fact that announcements were now being made prior to the actual service. We reviewed the pros and cons and determined that the new approach was working well.

The Presbytery Fund opens up again in the fall for applications and we will revisit the topic at that time with a view to seeking funds to support our visioning process. Ernie and Shannon are discussing the process for application and tis will be reviewed at the next meeting.

In a related matter it was moved by Phillip and seconded by Denis that we set November 3rd and 4th as the dates for our visioning session. All agreed

New Business

Remit #4

We viewed the video pertaining to Remit #4 and following discussion members agreed to support it. Helen will submit our response.

Letter from UCW re. Kitchen

A discussion was held regarding the condition of the kitchen after use by various groups. Salient comments were:

- Expectations may be beyond what is achievable
- Chowders are not an issue
- The cleaner is not adequately cleaning
- Sinks are disgusting
- Fridges not wiped out
- Do we need a kitchen committee?
- Do we need to establish a rental deposit
- Should we have a list of do's and don'ts?

We agreed to the following action:

Teri, Ralph, Denis, and someone from the rental committee will meet to discuss the matter

Shelley will be asked to check on the condition of the kitchen after every rental or use of the kitchen to collect data on it condition. She will provide this to the committee

Todd requests a monthly cost for cleaning the kitchen

Fishing Tips

Helen, Jerry, and Phillip provided a report on this session. There was good discussion on the topic and jerry's notes are attached. We agreed this is an exciting time at Woodlawn and we must capture the innovative spirit that seems to be associated with the event attended by Phillip, Shannon, Helen, and Jerry.

JNAC

A congregational meeting will be held on May 28 to secure names for the Joint Needs Assessment Committee (JNAC).

Line of Credit

It was moved seconded and carried that we seek a line of credit in the amount of \$100,000. This is required as a backup as our cash flow dwindles. Hopefully we will not have to use it but it is a precaution.

Clerk Position

Todd indicated that A&M will be proceeding to hire a clerk as approved in the last budget. There was the suggestion that we make this a one year term to give us flexibility at a time when change may be taking place at Woodlawn.

2018 Annual Meeting

The annual meeting will be held February 25th, 2018. If necessary we will receive unaudited financial reports as we currently do not have an auditor.

Meeting Rooms

A suggestion to keep the meeting rooms free of rentals on Thursdays was deferred to next meeting when we will receive a report from the rental committee.

Interim Ministry

Brian reported that progress is being made in securing an interim minister for a one year term.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of Council is scheduled for June 21st at 7:00PM