Minutes

Lakeview United Church Council Meeting Thursday, April 16, 2020 (online Zoom)

Lakeview United Church Vision Statement

Seeking Spiritual Renewal and Growth in a Caring, Affirming Community

Opening Statement

At 7:15 pm Bob Gibennus opened the meeting by acknowledging that we meet on traditional territories of First People to this region.

Call to Order

Bob Gibennus called the meeting to order. Quorum is reached.

Attendees

Bob Gibennus, Chairperson

Jope Langejans, Minister

Daryl Sedor, Affirming Ministry, Chinook Region Co-representative

Carolyn Bosch, Secretary

Lesley Sedor, Reaching Out

Beckie Scroggins, Ministry & Personnel

Paige Martin, Treasurer

Kurt Perkins, Finance & Facility

Janet Layton, Rejuvenation Task Force

Lorna Flack, Fellowship & Caring

Opening Devotional - Jope

Jope offered a prayer with hopes that this meeting will offer ideas and concepts for how to BE together even though we are away from each other.

Approval of the Agenda

Approved by consensus.

Approval of Previous Minutes

Minutes from the February 19 and April 2, 2020 Council meetings were adopted by consensus.

Correspondence

A thank you letter from Patricia Matheson was shared.

Review of Action Items (April 2 Meeting)

- ✓ Beckie spoke with Lee Spice re: wages for temporary layoffs.
- ✓ Beckie directed Jope and Arda to be prepared to work from home.
- ✓ Bob had Arda set up Zoom account for the church.
- ✓ Bob, Jope and Paige prepared a letter to the congregation regarding actions taken to cope with Covid-19. Letter was posted in the newsletter which was sent by email

ACTION ITEM: Carolyn will help Arda send letter to people who

do not receive email updates.

Review of Action Items (Feb 19 Meeting)

- ✓ Bob spoke with Raj about refugee letter.
- ✓ Jope prepared letter for website about trial rental by Al Madinah.

Still outstanding:

- All members of council to review bylaws
- Members of Council to add prayer or decoration to Tibetan prayer flags

Committee Reports

Treasurer, Paige Martin

Attachment #17

Paige has been attending webinars provided by the United Church of Canada to help churches manage finances during these unprecedented times. Information updates are frequent. Since preparing her report she's been advised that the \$40,000 interest free loan to not-for-profit groups is NOT available to religious groups. The United Church Foundation will provide loans of up to \$10,000, but LUC is not likely a candidate for such a loan. Wage subsidies from the Federal Government will help to offset the loss of rental income and will delay the need to cash in shares to fund day-to-day operations.

Finance & Facilities, Kurt Perkins

Attachment #18

Roger Scroggins sent an email advising that Al Madinah will start the trial rental of space on Friday, April 17. They will allow up to 15 people to enter the premises. The church will be cleaned 2 times per week during Ramadan which runs until May 23. Eva will clean on Monday and Thursday.

Reaching Out, Lesley Sedor

No Report

Lesley and Daryl will stop by the church to pick up and distribute the Lenten gifts.

Faith Formation & Worship, NO CHAIR

No Report

Fellowship & Caring, Lorna Flack

No Report

Lesley Sedor mailed 35 cards and received many appreciative phone calls in return.

Ministry & Personnel, Beckie Scroggins

Attachment #19

Affirming Ministry, Daryl Sedor

No Report

Rejuvenation Task Force, Janet Layton

No Report

Chinook Winds Region, Daryl Sedor

No Report

Motion: Daryl Sedor moved the all reports be accepted as presented. Seconded by Beckie Scroggins. CARRIED

Ministers Report, Jope Langejans,

Attachment #20

Old Business

Response to Covid-19:

- -Continue to pray for people coping with Illness due to Covid-19
- -Zoom meetings include 'warming up to worship' and Friday Bible study groups. Notification should be given to all groups that zoom is available for these types of meetings.

ACTION ITEM: Bob G will add notification to weekly bulletin that Zoom is available to all church groups.

Governance: Is today the day to start the conversation about re-vamping our governance structure? It was agreed that we can work on this via email. Bob recommended a common process used for problem solving and will re-send an email he sent earlier asking for input.

ACTION ITEM: All Council members to respond to Bob's email by May 14. Use 'reply all' so that all members of Council are included in the "conversation".

Meeting Adjourned 8:06 pm

Upcoming Meetings:

LUC Council Meeting - Thursday, May 21 at 7:00 pm - Zoom

Bob Gibennys, Chairperson Date

Carolyn Bosch, Secretary

Date