

Minutes
Lakeview United Church Council Meeting
Wednesday, January 16, 2019 7:00pm

Acknowledgement of First Peoples and Traditional Territory

Lakeview United Church Vision Statement

Offering Spiritual Renewal and Growth in a Caring, Affirming Community where all are Welcome

Call to Order

7:10 pm by Daryl Sedor. Quorum is reached.

Attendees

Daryl Sedor, Chairperson, Affirming Ministry
Joep Langejans, Minister
Louise Poudrette, Faith Formation & Worship
Sue Spratt, Fellowship & Caring
Paige Martin, Treasurer
Janet Layton, Rejuvenation Task Force

Carolyn Bosch, Secretary
Beckie Scroggins, Ministry & Personnel
Lorna Flack, Fellowship & Caring
Craig Cheffins, Rejuvenation Task Force

Regrets

Lesley Sedor, Reaching Out

Opening Devotional – Joep shared a prayer from “Praying in the Messiness of Life” by Linda Douty.

Approval of the Agenda

Adoption of Minutes of December 19, 2018

Correspondence

Attachment #41

The first annual Affirming PIE (Public. Intentional. Explicit) Day will be held on March 14, 2019 see www.pieday.ca for more information.

Review of Action Items

Sabbatical coverage will be discussed at time of Minister’s report.

Ratification of budget for presentation to the congregation will be discussed during Treasurer’s report.

Rejuvenation recommendation about signage will be discussed at time of RTF report.

Signage and messages to renters to check that taps and lights are off and doors are properly closed and locked before leaving the premises have been placed in strategic locations.

Committee Reports

Finance &Facilities, NO CHAIR, Paige Martin

Attachment #42

Pledgefest results are \$10,000 lower than last year. It is recommended that the campaign start earlier this year. Heather Mayer has offered to help again, but it would be good to recruit a helper. Joep received a ‘Planned Givings’ package that can be used during pledgefest next fall.

Motion: Beckie Scroggins moved that Pedalheads rent be increased by 5% to \$105/day plus \$50/month for supplies effective July 1, 2019. Seconded by Carolyn Bosch. CARRIED

Reaching Out,

Communications committee plan to keep using Squarespace for the website and will pay an annual hosting fee rather than a monthly fee.

Faith Formation & Worship, Louise Poudrette, Attachment #43

Sue confirmed that Entheos Retreat is expecting 15 people on February 13. They will put out cinnamon buns and coffee at 8:30 and provide lunch.

Fellowship & Caring, Lorna Flack, Sue Spratt

Sue will finalize the directory by requesting three editorial pages that include messages from Jope, the church logo and mission statement and pictures of our staff members. Other pictures will include the Peace Pole, Affirming Ministry, the service with Rev. Snow and our refugee family. The contact list will include all the information that individual participants agreed to share in print.

Ministry & Personnel, Beckie Scroggins

Welcome to Beckie Scroggins who is new to the M&P Committee. Beckie emphasized that it will be important to find a third person who has some experience in Human Resources.

ACTION ITEM: Find a third member for M&P Committee. Start with announcements on Sunday emphasizing that the committee must consist of three members as mandated by the United Church of Canada.

Affirming Ministry, Daryl Sedor

There will be a joint meeting with the Reaching Out Committee.

March 14, 2019 - PIE day

April 6, 2019 - Lesley and Daryl plan to attend the Affirming Leaders' Day Workshop at King Edward School

April 20, 2019 – Calgary Queer Church Event featuring guest Sophie Labelle, Canadian Author, cartoonist and public speaker.

Camp Fyrefly will be held at Camp Chief Hector for youth and teens who identify as LGBTQ2S+ Six faith groups were represented at the last Affirming Church meeting.

Rejuvenation Task Force, Janet Layton, Craig Cheffins Attachment #44

Janet has assumed the position of chair to the RTF committee.

Janet reintroduced the request to hire a Community Engagement Coordinator to help coordinate with round table discussions in community and to work with the congregation as volunteer coordinator in the development of projects. Members of the RTF committee feel that it's very important to move forward now. They are worried about losing momentum on the project if this action isn't taken immediately. Most members of Council remain concerned about hiring at this point in time. It is felt that it would be a waste of resources because the infrastructure to support this position does not exist at this time; Arda (office administrator) is new to the church and still learning her position and Jope will leave on Sabbatical starting May 6. He will return to the church on September 6. Everyone agrees that RTF should pursue this initiative; however it should be coordinated with timing that will be most effective to produce synergies with other church staff members. In the meantime the RTF task force is encouraged to pursue some of the other items recommended in the report produced as a result of the round table discussions.

ACTION ITEM: RTF to revisit the hiring of a Community Engagement Coordinator at the April Council meeting.

Regarding extra signage on the church grounds, Craig has researched City of Calgary bylaws and sees no reason not to purchase a sign. Jope and Craig will coordinate the purchase of the sign using funds from the Concert Series.

Motion: Paige Martin moved that we hire a student using a STEP grant to work on Flourishing Congregation Survey and also assist Arda in the office. Seconded by Sue Spratt. CARRIED

ACTION ITEM: Janet Layton will liaise with Beckie Scroggins to prepare and submit application to the STEP grant program prior to the program deadline.

ACTION ITEM: Janet Layton will complete a Planned Giving Request for funding to be presented to LUC Council.

Motion: Louise Poudrette moved that all reports be accepted as presented. Seconded by Sue Spratt. CARRIED.

Ministers Report, Jope Langejans Attachment #45

Jope will continue to prepare for sabbatical by firming arrangements with John Crowdis to provide Pastoral coverage in his absence. Jope will reciprocate while John is on Sabbatical. It is expected that this exchange for services will not involve a financial obligation. Paige requested that job description be drafted for coverage expectations and asked if John Crowdis would consider a two week gap between the end of Jope's sabbatical and the beginning of John's sabbatical so there would be an easier back-to-work transition for Jope.

Both John Crowdis and Kelly Warner will be able to provide coverage for funeral services.

Bob Gibbenus will be available for 4 weeks of Pulpit Supply.

Jope asked that we review the "No Alcohol" statement to bring us more in line with what seems to be the norm.

Motion: Louise Poudrette moved to investigate the Lakeview United Church policy of not allowing alcohol on the premises. Seconded by Lorna Flack.

ACTION ITEM: Daryl Sedor will study the church bylaws regarding consumption of alcohol on the premises.

Treasurer's Report, Paige Martin Attachment #46, 47 Attachment #48 (budget)

Yearend report shows a \$13,000 deficit mainly due to a loss in shares in 2018.

The 2019 budget has been updated to include changes to pledged amounts as received by Dec. 31. The assessment paid to the Region has increased and is more than what was previously paid to Presbytery.

Motion: Paige Martin moved that this budget be presented to the congregation. Seconded by Sue Spratt. CARRIED

Motion: Sue Spratt moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. Seconded by Louise Poudrette. CARRIED.

Old Business

A discussion about the Calgary Metro Alliance for Common Good will be held at the next Council meeting.

ACTION ITEM: Committee response to Rejuvenation Task Force Recommendations – each committee should review the report and see what action can be taken

New Business

Volunteer of the Month

Linda Zuege will be honoured in January for her efforts at Staywell Manor and Garrison Woods residences. Peggy Gibennus and Fiona Hayes will be recognized in February for their work on the M&P Committee.

ACTION ITEM: Daryl Sedor will send thank you notes to Peggy and Fiona for their years of service on the M&P Committee.

Entheos Retreat to be held on February 13 will be facilitated by Joel Den Haan in the morning and it is hoped that Lee Spice will speak in the afternoon. The theme will be “do more with less” and is open to committee members as space permits.

ACTION ITEM: Jope will send out an agenda and arrange for carpool sign up.

Meeting Adjourned 9:14pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 20, 2019

Daryl Sedor, Chairperson Date

Carolyn Bosch Feb. 5, 2019

Carolyn Bosch, Secretary Date

Dates to remember:

Wed. Feb 13 - Entheos Retreat for Council

Sun. Mar. 3 - Annual Financial Meeting