

Minutes
Lakeview United Church Council Meeting
Sunday, September 22, 2019 11:30am

Lakeview United Church Vision Statement

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

Call to Order

11:25 am by Paige Martin. Quorum is reached. It was confirmed our bylaws require 5 of 10 voting members to reach quorum.

ACTION ITEM: a copy of bylaws will be sent to Council Members.

Attendees

Daryl Sedor, Affirming Ministry, Chinook Region Co-representative	
Jope Langejans, Minister	Carolyn Bosch, Secretary
Lesley Sedor, Reaching Out	Lorna Flack, Fellowship & Caring
Beckie Scroggins, Ministry & Personnel	Paige Martin, Treasurer
Janet Layton, Rejuvenation Task Force	Cecilia Pavao, Rejuvenation Task Force

Opening Devotional - Jope

Approval of the Agenda

Approved by consensus with the addition of 'Name Tags' and 'St. Matthews United Church' to New Business.

Approval of Previous Minutes

Minutes from the June 18, 2019 Council meeting were approved by consensus.

Correspondence

none

Committee Reports

Treasurer, Paige Martin Attachment #1

Finance & Facilities, NO CHAIR Attachment #2

Paige Martin continues to submit reports for this committee.

Heather Mayers will coordinate Pledgefest again this year. She plans to get started prior to the end of September. **ACTION ITEM:** Jope will prepare a letter for Pledgefest.

With dwindling numbers of volunteer counters a meeting will be held to establish new procedures.

The PossAbilities group is no longer renting space. They left with \$6305.50 in unpaid rent. There is some debate of whether to pursue payment of the rent considering they are a not-for-profit group and may never be able to pay. Should this income be written off? Should a collection agency be hired?

ACTION ITEM: It was decided that Carolyn Bosch will make enquiries to the Alberta Government to assess whether any action should be taken.

Many thanks to Roger Scroggins for the time and effort taken to assessing and preparing a rental offer to Calgary Girls Choir.

Motion: Lorna Flack moved that LUC Council endorse the space rental proposal for Calgary Girls Choir as prepared by Roger Scroggins. Seconded by Lesley Sedor. CARRIED.

Regarding our new renters, Student Inc., so far, all is well. Jope will meet with the Principal at Jennie Elliott soon to discuss safe use of the church parking lot by parents. He will also establish times when the parking lot is "off limits" to Jennie Elliott parents such as November 11.

Reaching Out, Lesley Sedor

Thank you letters for donations made to various organizations have been received. Lesley will share these with the congregation by placing them on a notice board in the narthex. It was suggested that during Pledgefest Lesley convey some data to the congregation about who receives support from Reaching Out and in both dollars and time.

Faith Formation & Worship, NO CHAIR, no report

There is an upcoming meeting where Jope hopes to encourage someone to act as Chair to this committee.

Fellowship & Caring, Lorna Flack

This small committee continued to host many fellowship events over the summer with a potluck in August and Sandwich Sunday in September. Upcoming events include Souper Sunday on November 10. Lorna requested that Jope contact Marshall Pope to invite the Boy Scouts to attend the Remembrance Day Service and lunch.

Lorna has requested that if there are NO volunteers for coffee on a Sunday that we do not serve coffee on that day. There was some debate as to whether this would be an effective strategy to get others (people who don't already help) to volunteer. It is felt that people need to know that it is not necessary to provide food and that someone will assist with coffee preparation if one is unsure of what to do.

ACTION ITEM: Craft a message to encourage more participation AND thank Lorna for all her help.

Motion: Daryl Sedor moved that an announcement be made at the church service stating that if No volunteers sign up, No coffee will be served. Food is optional. Seconded by Paige Martin. CARRIED.

ACTION ITEM: Daryl Sedor will chat with the men who regularly attend coffee after service to see if he can coordinate their participation. Beckie Scroggins will make the announcement prior to Sunday worship.

Ministry & Personnel, Beckie Scroggins

Attachment #3

In addition to her report, Beckie advised that another learning session called M&P 102 is upcoming.

Arda Kristano, Office Administrator, has requested a change in her hours. She would like to work Monday through Wednesday from 8:00am to 4:30pm and from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on Thursday. This would allow her to take Friday off meaning that the church office would be closed on Friday.

Motion: Daryl Sedor moved that Arda's request for a change to her scheduled hours be granted. Seconded by Lesley Sedor. CARRIED.

ACTION ITEM: Beckie Scroggins will make an announcement advising the congregation that the office will be closed on Friday.

Affirming Ministry, Daryl Sedor

Daryl apologized for not being able to host an affirming celebration due to poor health.

Daryl wrote a letter of congratulations to Ralph Connor United Church in Canmore who've recently become an Affirming Church.

Daryl and Lesley also recommend a movie called "Boy Erased" which brings attention to conversion therapy.

Rejuvenation Task Force, Janet Layton

Attachment #4

Janet advised that a job posting for Congregational Enhancement Coordinator will be posted with a deadline for application of October 14. It was suggested that she share the job posting with Tim Nethercott who is U of C and MRU Chaplain. Knox Presbytery has recently hired to a similar position.

ACTION ITEM: RTF to call Knox Presbyterian Church to ask for any words of wisdom relating to their recent experience with rejuvenation.

Daryl suggested watching a movie called "All Saints" as excellent encouragement for rejuvenation.

Chinook Winds Region, Daryl Sedor

Daryl will post monthly reports on the board in the narthex.

Motion: Beckie Scroggins moved that all Committee reports be accepted as presented. Seconded by Lesley Sedor. CARRIED

Ministers Report, Jope Langejans,

Attachment #5

Motion: Daryl Sedor moved that the official Council of Lakeview United Church, Calgary, Alberta, gives their blessing upon the following children to be baptised on Sunday October 6, 2019 in the sanctuary of Lakeview United Church and that pre-baptism sessions have taken place.

Rome Tyler Johnson, Oliver Daniel Johnson, Van Martin St. John, Elsi Maye St. John, Scarlett Kay Breckon, Joanna Prince. Seconded by Lorna Flack. CARRIED.

Old Business

Daryl Sedor reports that a **bylaw review** is ongoing.

New Business

Members of Council would like to continue the tradition of **Entheos Retreat**. Jope suggested inviting David Swann to speak.

Name tags – any new name tags should have the new church logo. Beckie will ask Arda to engage a company to supply name tags as requested.

There is an upcoming meeting with members of St. Matthews United Church regarding the future of the congregation as they move toward closing.

The current shortage of LUC Council members and chairs of committees is a major concern. The following **ACTIONS** are required:

Daryl will reach out to Chinook Winds Region to ask for guidance for how to govern with dwindling numbers of volunteers.

Jope will speak with Joel Den Haan specifically about how to set up a leaner governance model.

Committees with no Chair need to provide a contact person so that the committee can send a representative to attend Council meetings.

During Pledgefest, Jope will speak about donating Time, Talent and Treasures to encourage new volunteer participation.

Volunteer of the Month

September will be Fiona Hayes for her contributions to music during Sunday Service. Other suggestions are Ted Prince who acts as Counters Coordinator, Judy Klassen who helps with Weasel head Presents and Cecelia Pavao for her efforts on the Rejuvenation Task Force.

Meeting Adjourned 1:30 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 7:00 pm



Paige Martin, Acting Chairperson Date

 Oct. 16/19

Carolyn Bosch, Secretary Date