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Lakeview United Church Council Meeting September 16, 2020 @ 7pm (Zoom)

Acknowledgement of First Peoples and Traditional Territory

We acknowledge the traditional territories of the Niitsitapi (Blackfoot) and the people of the Treaty 7 region in Southern Alberta, which includes the Tsuut'ina First Nations.

Lakeview United Church Vision Statement

Offering spiritual growth in a caring, affirming community

Attendees

Lorna Flack Fellowship & Caring Robbie Temple Treasurer
Beckie Scroggins M&P Jope Langejans LUC Minister

Bob Gibennus Council Chair Raj Retnanadam Reaching Out Chair

Daryl Sedor Faith Formation & Worship, Roger Scroggins Rentals
Chinook Winds Region Jude Sampson Secretary

Janet Layton Rejuvenation Task Force

Regrets - none

Call to Order - Bob called meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Opening Devotional – Jope Langejans lit a candle and reminded each of us to be mindful of those folks experiencing the uncertainty of COVID-19 and living in uncertainty.

Treasurer's Report (attached)

Robbie is not feeling well tonight so we moved her report to the beginning so she could leave the meeting early and rest. We have received the CEBA loan from the government in the amount of \$40k. If we pay back the loan prior to December 2021 we only have to pay back \$ 30k Highlights of Treasurer's report - Total Income is below budget by \$7k. We are over \$ 26k in Operating budget due to low operating cost. Rental income is down due to COVID. We estimated \$5k / month in rental income but are only receiving \$1.7k.

A question arose concerning if we would be able to pay the CEBA money back on time and with no issues. I was pointed out that we could do it under the Planned Giving Fund with Trustee approval.

Motion to accept Treasurers Report – Daryl

2nd - Beckie

Carried

Adoption of Minutes of June 17, 2020 and August 13, 2020 – approved by unanimous consent

Approval of Agenda – approved by unanimous consent

Old Business / Review of Action Items

- 1. Pertaining to COVID-19
 - a. Rentals
 - completed wording on website pertaining to renters has been changed
 - Completed analysis of costs of renting verses cost of cleaning Roger has reviewed costs of cleaning. We have received 2 quotes for cleaning. For example if we have an event in the sanctuary and it falls beyond the scope of our weekly cleaning, the cost of the cleaning must be born by the renters (ie weddings, funerals and special events). Cost of cleaning is approximately \$ 225 285.
 - Our standard cleaning schedule has been increased to 3 days per week during COVID; Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Additional disinfecting of touch points ie door knobs has been added.
 - Former renters using Choir room or Upper or Lower Halls will be accommodated into the church's regular cleaning schedule.

- New renters will be allowed but they must fit into LUC's regular cleaning schedule
- bible studies and other church groups will be asked to disinfect the tables and touch points they have used
- Before&After School Care cleans their own rooms and LUC looks after the halls
- Roger has drafted a document of cleaning procedures for disinfecting for our own people but it could also be used by renters. We have procured some approved disinfectant which will be available in the kitchen for our own people and for renters.
- Roger has 40 yrs in food industry and a Masters in Microbiology. He feels very comfortable drafting this document

completed New renters will be allowed if they agree to bear the costs of cleaning and if they agree to follow the cleaning guidelines drafted by Roger.

- b. what guidelines have other churches put in place to deal with COVID?
 2 other churches have opened in Alberta. Daryl has been unable to contact them. Okotoks has divided their congregation into 3rds. Each Sunday 1/3 will be allowed to attend. Discussion carried to November meeting.
- c. Public Worship
 - completed bibles & hymn books have been removed from pews & stored;
 - will we recommend public service indoors?

All Council agreed we do not recommend holding public service inside at this time. Discussion carried to November Meeting

-The last service of the year outside on the lawn will be Oct 11, 2020 (weather permitting). Services will then be delivered in an online format until Council decides when inside services will be permitted.

2. Marie's Contract

Motion: That Marie's contract be terminated effective September 30, 2020 due to COVID 19 and the uncertain future of regular church services. And that she be given 2 months pay as compensation in lieu of notice – Beckie

2nd by Lorna

Carried

3. Governance -A committee (Jope Langejans, Bob Gibennus and Joel Den Haan were asked to review the current governance model and make suggestions for improvements. (See Governance Report attached)

The recommendation was discussed but not resolved. Discussion carried to November meeting

Committee Reports

1. Committee reports were presented (see attachments)

Treasurer - Robbie Faith Formation & Worship- Daryl (no report submitted)

Finance & Facilities - no chair

Chinook Winds Region - Daryl

Reaching Out - Raj

Rejuvenation Task Force- Janet

Ministry & Personnel - Becky

Fellowship & Caring – Lorna (No report submitted)

In addition to reports

Reaching Out Committee

RO is seeking Council approval to proceed with giving to same list of organizations as was approved last year? ALL in agreement.

RO is also looking into the possibility of presenting a lecture series on Zoom.

Rejuvenation Task Force

Suggest advertising LUC services on line (Facebook, Local advertisement). All agreed

Janet would like to hold a Virtual Garage Sale (kiijii etc) from her house using LUC name. These are items which were donated to the church but stored at Janet's house. ALL in agreement

Rejuvenation wants to look into getting funding from provincial government to fund repairs to basement caused by flooding. Also believe there is funding for seniors. Janet will get more details and name of fund and give to Roger for review.

Chinook Winds region preparing for regional annual meeting. Theme of meeting is "Radical Inclusion".

One remit this year to change wording in basis of union to make it more inclusive. This will be voted on tomorrow.

Will Chinook Region become an affirming region? Voting tomorrow

2. motion to accept Committee reports as presented Roger made motion to approve, 2nd by Raj – Carried

Minister's Report – Jope Langejans (attached)

New Business

- 1. Motion to acceptance of Daryl Sedor as new Council chair of Faith Formation & Worship motion by Bob, 2nd by Becky. Carried
- 2. Bob Gibennus volunteered to be Chinook Winds Region Co-chair: motion by Daryl for Bob to fill this role, 2nd by Becky. Carried
- 3 Finances during the Pandemic (including staffing) this as already been talked about.
- 4. Naming of Volunteer of the month we are not doing during pandemic

Adjournment of meeting at 9:30 pm

Closing Prayer - Jope

Next meeting will be November 18, 2020

Bob Gibennus, LUC Council Chair

Jude Sampson, Council Secretary

Nov. 19/20 Date

Dec 8/26