

Minutes of the September 22, 2020 Meeting of the Board of Westminster United Church

Present (Zoom meeting): Ted Barnett, Loretta Basiuk, Marnie Bolland, Helen LaRue, Carol Latter, Sherri McConnell, Rebecca McIntosh

Regrets: Brandon Johnston, John Mort, Boyd Rausch

Ted Barnett	Chair, Worship Committee, Nominating Committee
Loretta Basiuk	Secretary
Marnie Bolland	Ministry and Personnel
Brandon Johnston	Property, Trustee
Helen LaRue	Congregational Care (Membership, Fellowship, Pastoral Care)
Carol Latter	Past Chair, Vice Chair, Nominating Committee Chair
Sherri McConnell	Ministry Staff
Pat Miles	Inner and Outer Connections
Rebecca McIntosh	Finance
John Mort	Treasurer
Boyd Rausch	Regional Council

Call to Order

Welcome

Roll Call

Reflection/Opening – Ted Barnett

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved as circulated.

Correspondence: None

Motion: (M. Bolland/P. Miles) That the minutes of the May 19 board meeting be accepted as circulated. Carried

Motion: H.LaRue/R.McIntosh) That the minutes of the June 4 board meeting be accepted as circulated. Carried

Motion: (C.Latter/M.Bolland) That the minutes of the Sept. 10 meeting of the Re-opening Task Group be accepted as circulated. Carried

“Westminster Together: Six Feet Apart” document:

- update on re-opening date, mask-wearing, concern about drop-ins
- Carol to contact Fred Aoki for a medical opinion
- “By appointment only” on sign board considered; protocols to be followed for drop-ins

October 4 Re-opening date:

- Oct. 4 to remain as the re-opening date; Monday Sept. 28 is the deciding date if there are changes.

New date for AGM:

- Oct. 18, 2020 date confirmed for AGM
- agenda & nominating report to be placed on pews of pre-registered attendees; Annual Report to be projected on the wall; announcement previous Sunday that the report will be mailed to those requesting it if they call the church beforehand. Ted to contact

Marilyn re: printing.

Committee Reports:

Financials - Rebecca McIntosh

- thanks to Ted, Cheryl and Carol for their work on the budget
- discussion of management of the Canada Emergency Business Account, application for the \$10K United Church loan and the church's present deficit position.

Motion: (R. McIntosh/M. Bolland) That the board accept the 2020 Draft Final Budget to be presented at the Annual General Meeting Carried

Property and Trustees – Ted Barnett for Brandon Johnston

- duct cleaning will take place next week
- an insurance claim for the roof is underway

Worship – Ted Barnett

- Reverend Sherri will be participating in Continuing Education from Oct. 26 - Nov. 2. Pulpit supply will be required on Sunday Dec. 27th and Jan. 3, 2021.
- a decision was made to have Sunday service on Dec. 27; considerations include new government directives and pulpit supply taking part in a virtual service if necessary.
- Nov. 1 will be a short music-centered service; guest preacher to be invited for Dec. 27 and Jan. 3, 2121.
- Ted to check with Don re: vacation time

Congregational Care – Helen LaRue

- phone calls to be made to congregation members prior to Oct. 4 service

Ministry & Personnel – Marnie Bolland

- the board was in camera for this portion of the meeting.

Inner & Outer Connections – Pat Miles

- reimbursement for printing costs to be managed by the committee

Nominating Committee - No report.

New Business:

- a representative from the Community of Faith Support Committee from the Prairie to Pine Regional Council contacted Carol L to let Westminster know she is our contact and support person, and will connect with Westminster from time to time to check in.
- request for an update on Blue Sky Solar. Ted will contact John Meyers. Details of the court judgment to appear in the 2021 Annual Report.

Closing Prayer – Rev. Sherri McConnell

Next Meeting: Nov. 17, 2020 or At the Call of the Chair