



MINUTES FOR COUNCIL MEETING Thursday, December 23 2021 Held on Zoom at 2:00 p.m.

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Council Members: The Rev Dr. Kate Crawford (Minister), Charles MacDonald (Chair), Rosalind MacDonald (Lay Pastoral Minister), Mary McFadden (Council Secretary), Vince Bury (Accessibility), Janice Sinker (Affirming), Virginia Scott (Christian Development), Lynne Desjardine/Lois Gill – Co-Chairs (Fellowship & Outreach), Bryan Beattie – (Finance/Treasurer), Steve Northey (Ministry & Personnel), Deb Gill (Property Management), Bob Illman (Trustees), Ruth Ann Eagleson/Wilma Harris Co-Chairs (Worship). WOW Representatives: Bob Illman, Ruth Ann Eagleson and Rosalind MacDonald

Members Present: Charles MacDonald, Rosalind MacDonald, Mary McFadden, Janice Sinker, Virginia Scott, Lynne Desjardine, Lois Gill, Steve Northey, Deb Gill, Bob Illman, Wilma Harris, Ruth Ann Eagleson

Absent: The Rev Dr. Kate Crawford, Vince Bury, Bryan Beattie

Guest: The Rev. Laurie O’Leary (Supervising Minister)

Quorum Present

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER: 2:06 p.m.**

2. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY (Read by Charles MacDonald)**

3. **CANDLE LIGHTING**

4. **OPENING PRAYER – Rev Laurie O’Leary**

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

- **MOTION was made to approve the agenda as circulated. Moved, seconded and carried.**

6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

- **Toronto Foundation – Letter to Kate Crawford:** Congratulating HSUC on receiving a grant for \$750 to go toward general programs at the request of Dorothy and Charles Donley, seasonal members.
- **Huron Women’s Shelter – Letter to Lynne Desjardine:** Thanking for the generous donation from the Parking funds.
- **The United Church of Canada – Letter thanking HSUC for the Mission & Service Fund givings in 2020.**

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7. REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **MOTION** was made to approve the November 25, 2021 Council meeting minutes as amended. Moved, seconded and carried.
 - **Corrections in the WOW team report.**
 - **Rev. Young Seo was from the Korean Presbyterian Church.**
 - **Gavin Williams – was a Candidate**

8. BUSINESS ARISING - Follow up on November's New Business:

- Staff gifts were purchased and have been delivered.
- Letters of Hope – this project will continue into 2022.
- The Annual Congregational Meeting – was rescheduled, by consensus, from Sunday, February 6 to Sunday, March 13.

9. COVID-19 UP-DATE – Charles MacDonald: For the immediate future all activities will be strictly on Zoom. It is believed that Omicron is not as serious as past variants. All community groups have been notified.

10. TEAM REPORTS

- **Finance – Bryan Beattie: Refer to Operating Summary – (attached):** Jim Neville has come forward to assume the role of Reviewer for the 2021 financial records.
- **Affirming – Janice Sinker:** No report.
- **Worship Report – Ruth Ann Eagleson and Wilma Harris:**
 - Spoke with Peter Challen. Peter is willing to do whatever he can while in Florida.
 - Looking into more Ordained ministers.
 - Rev. Laurie is likely to attend the ACM as supervising minister.
- **Ministry & Personnel: Steve Northey:** Rev. Kate's Restorative Care Plan will discontinue on January 13, 2022. If her application for Long Term Disability is accepted, it will commence on January 14. Recently met with Kate at church and she has collected her personal items.
- **Community Wellness W.G. – Charles MacDonald:** No report.
- **Property – Deb Gill:** No report.
- **Fellowship & Outreach – Lynne Desjardine/Lois Gill – Co-Chairs:** No further report.
- **Trustees – Bob Illman:** No report.
- **Grand Bend Place – Bob Illman:** No further report.
 - Rosalind expressed compliments to the team for all their efforts while in and out of lockdowns.

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- **Lay Pastoral Minister – Rosalind MacDonald:**
 - Received communication from New Life Community Church, formally Church of God, that they will be hosting World Day Prayer on Friday, March 4, 2022. Due to COVID it is temporarily on hold or it may be held on Zoom, similar to 2021.
 - Contact with Cindy Maxfield (Grand Bend Area Community Health Centre) in regard to a new volunteer training program to be a “Social Connector”. The training is free and will be held through Eventbrite on January 6,13,20, and 27th for two hours. The objective is to connect with others who are isolated and help them find community events, programs or organizations to belong to, or just an opportunity to chat and engage with others. Often this is referred to as "Social Prescribing" and the health centre staff will be referring people for the service in addition to self-referrals. Rosalind will attend and asked others if interested.
 - A question was raised if this would be a component for LGBTQ – is there need in the community? Rosalind will enquire.
- **Nominations W.G. – Janice Sinker:** Looking for Chair for Trustees.
- **WOW – Bob Illman, Ruth Ann Eagleson and Rosalind MacDonald:** No report.
- **Christian Development – Virginia Scott:** No report.
- **Accessibility – Vince Bury –** absent.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

- Compliment was expressed to Rosalind on her letter in the December 23 issue of Shorelines.
- The window black out coverings are being installed.

12. NEXT MEETING: Thursday, January 27 at 4:00 p.m. on Zoom

13. ADJOURNMENT at 2:45 pm

Charles MacDonald,
Chair

Mary McFadden
Council Secretary