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This year's meeting was integrated into the worship service. Approximately 60 attended. The meeting commenced at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Dr. Kate Crawford leading in the opening motions.

Opening Motions - Kate Crawford

- A MOTION was made that *Deb Gill* be elected Chair of the Annual Congregational Meeting. It was asked 3 times for any nominations from the floor. There were no nominations. *Moved by Bob Illman and seconded by Ernie Lane. Carried*

At this time Deb Gill took the floor.

- A MOTION was made that *Mary McFadden* be elected Secretary of the Annual Congregational Meeting. *Moved by Norm Harris and seconded by Marion Ogilvie. Carried*
- A MOTION was made that voting privileges be extended to adherents who are present. *Moved by Carey Eddy and seconded by Rhonda Manore. Carried.*
- A MOTION was made that the Agenda be approved as circulated. *Moved by Myra Harris and seconded by Ron Turner. Carried.*

Act of Remembrance - Kate Crawford

- Names of the deceased were shown on the screen and each name was said in memory followed by prayer. Special attention was paid to Reverend Robert Putman (former minister of Grand Bend United Church).

Approval of Minutes - Deb Gill

- **Congregational Meeting held on May 7, 2017** - It was explained that these minutes were to vote on becoming an Affirming Congregation and needed to be approved. Deb mentioned that copies were available. There was no other business or questions regarding these minutes,
 - A MOTION was made that the minutes of the May 7, 2017 Congregational Meeting (Affirming Vote) be approved. *Moved by Charles McDonald and seconded by Marian Ogilvie. Carried.*
- **Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes** - the floor was invited to bring up any business arising. No comments were made.
 - A MOTION was made that the minutes of the February 4, 2018 Annual Congregational Meeting be approved as circulated. *Moved by Carey Eddy and seconded by Bob Illman. Carried.*

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Annual Report 2018 - Deb Gill - Recognized each of the team Chairs by calling their name and asking to stand. All were applauded. An Invitation was given to ask questions of any report. (Reports will be lifted from blanket motion and discussed in Individual Reports section).

- **A MOTION was made to accept the reports as printed, excluding: Financial Report, Nominating Report, and other lifted reports. Moved by Blanche Savage and seconded by Myra Harris. Carried.**

Review of Individual Reports - Deb Gill

- **Financial Report** - Bryan Beattie was invited to the podium. A thorough explanation was provided of the 2018 budget, the actual 2018 figures and the proposed 2019 budget. After completing the financial report, Bryan invited the floor for questions. There were none.
 - **A MOTION was made to accept Financial Report. Moved by Bryan Beattie and seconded by Carey. Carried.**
 - **A MOTION was made to accept the 2019 Budget. Moved by Bryan Beattie and seconded by Virginia Scott with the clarification that on page 25, under TEAMS "Right Relations" should be "Mission and Outreach". Carried.**
- **Independent Review 2018 done by Luke Nagel.** A brief explanation was provided of the work that Luke had done on the Review. Luke has accepted the offer to do the Independent Review for 2019.
 - **A MOTION was made to appoint Luke Nagel as Reviewer for 2019. Moved by Bryan Beattie and seconded Blanche Savage. Carried.**

Deb resumed with:

- **The Mission & Outreach** team's recommendation to the congregation of the Mission & Service Fund target of \$15,000.
 - **A MOTION was made to set the target for the Mission & Service Fund givings in 2019 at \$15,000. Moved by Marian Ogilvie and seconded by Charles McDonald. Carried.**
- **Nominating Team** - Marilyn Beattie spoke on this report. Asked for nominations from the floor. There were none. Asked for nominees in attendance to stand and be acknowledge. Chairs that are leaving their positions were asked to stand and were acknowledged.
 - **A MOTION was made to accept the Nominating Report. Moved by Marilyn Beattie and seconded by Steve Northey**
- Deb made an announced that Janice Sinker is our new chair of Council. Fun & Fellowship and Affirming are actively seeking nominations.

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- **Nomination of Trustees:**

- **A MOTION was made to approve Trustees as named: Bob Illman (Chair), Larry Taylor, Norm Harris, Doug Kyle, Rosalind MacDonald, John Scott, Ron Turner, Glenn Miller. *Moved by Bob Illman and seconded by Christine Bregman. Carried.***

Other Items

- **Revised Policy and Procedures** - a draft was circulated for 2 weeks prior to the meeting. Deb Gill explained some of the Policy and Procedure changes: changing name of Presbytery to Regional Council; removal of BET; remove Funds Development Team; change name to Property Management Team; add pertinent policies; update list of working groups.
 - **A MOTION was made to approve the Policy and Procedures for submission to Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council. *Moved by Blanche seconded by Rosalind MacDonald. Carried.***

Deb asked if there was any other business. Melodie Northey brought attention to the “THANK YOU for Your Financial Support” page in the Annual Report and verbally thanked all for their continued support.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:45 a.m. Moved by Virginia Scott

Deb Gill
Chair

Mary McFadden
Recording Secretary