**Sunset United Church**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

**FINAL**

**June 3, 2021**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Using Zoom, the meeting was called to order by Chair, Jean Cameron, at 7:00.

2. ATTENDANCE

Present: Susan Black, Jean Cameron, Ken Fensom, Barbara Flaten-Orr, David Gerhard (guest), Tricia Gerhard, Denelle Hansen, Trina Hodgson, Michelle McConkey, Don Orr, Tim Osborne, Brenda Scarfe, Bryan Tudor, Marion Tudor, Hilary Wallin

Regrets: Judy Fawell, Nancy Toppings

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Rental policy was added.

**Moved by Marion/Ken that the agenda be adopted as amended. Carried.**

4. DEVOTION

Tricia led us in prayer.

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING

**Moved by Ken/Hilary that the minutes of the April 5, 2021 board meeting be approved as presented. Carried.**

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Gary and Jessie Carlson sent an email to report that they will be resigning from the Mutchmor Lodge board. Jean will send a note of thanks for their many years of service. Tricia will put a note in the next Weekly Update asking for a volunteer to replace them.

A letter from the United Church of Canada thanked Sunset for its support of the M&S campaign.

8. FINANCIAL REPORT/TREASURER’S REPORT/BUDGET

Denelle led us through the financial reports for the year up to April 30, 2021:

Total income to date: $89,495

Total expenses to date: $58,800

Net cash flow: $30,695

**Moved by Denelle/Hilary that the financial report be accepted as presented. Carried.**

9. POLICIES & PROCEDURES

None.

10. BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEES/SUPPORT STAFF

See new business.

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Sound System. David Gerhard gave a presentation on the proposed sound/video/lighting system. Details such as placement of cameras, PTZ (pan, tilt, zoom) cameras, lapel mics, TV for choir, parabolic stage lighting, and training a pool of volunteers were discussed. It was decided to plan for a hyflex (hybrid flexible) model for services in the future.

**Moved by Brenda/Trina that the technology task group decide how to equip the church with an updated sound/video/lighting system with a budget of up to $15,000 to be taken out of the Memorial and Capital Funds. Carried.**

Thanks to David Gerhard, Corinne Groff, Christa Eidsness, Craig Martin, and Morley Crowe for their work on this.

11.2 Website change - Donation link - Susan suggested that we should have a donation tab on our website. Tricia will look into this.

11.3 Fall Clothing Sale. Hilary asked the board if they would consider Sunset holding a clothing sale in the fall. It was decided that the committee will go ahead with planning a sale keeping in mind that the date may change due to Covid restrictions and it may be a smaller event.

11.3 Affirming Ministries - Conversion effort bans, Pride Parade

a). Trina reported the Regina city council meeting regarding the conversion "therapy" ban was 10 hours long. Now, it’s in the hands of the city lawyers to put together the bylaw for the July 14th meeting. The city Affirming Ministries group is growing to include more Lutherans and an Anglican Priest. Cam Fraser is conversing with a theologian representing the Catholic Archdiocese. Joy Cowan and Russell Mitchell-Walker are drafting a letter to go to city council. The goal is to have signatures by June 30. The city affirming ministry group may start another social media campaign at this time. It is important to note the change of wording of our language to "conversion efforts" rather than "conversion therapy" This is not therapy and in no means should be confused with such. Regional council sent a letter to the provincial government.

b). Pride Parade. Trina will drive a car in the parade. People can gather along the June 12th noon parade route. Folks can meet at Knox Met if they like.

11.4 Rental Policy - Barbara asked about the possibility of the Amici Singers (and possible other groups) rehearsing weekly at Sunset. Jean said that in the present policy there is a fee for single events but no allowance for a group to rent the centrum for a weekly event. Barbara, Hilary and Jean agreed to form a rental task group. Jean will ask Jayne to join as well. They will send out a report to the board via email soon. Other items to be considered include: maintenance/cleaning, insurance, administration.

12. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

none

13. MINISTER’S REPORT

a) Things are going okay. Quiet at church. Numbers are slowly dropping as summer approaches. SWELL church starts June 20th.

She will be taking July 15-31 self-guided PD reading and will be on holiday for the month of August. Church may open in September. No renters in August.

14. UPDATE OF CHURCH CALENDAR

June 6 - Pride Sunday

June 12 - Pride Parade

June 13 - regular service

June 20 - July 4 - SWELL services from Sunset

15. NEXT CHURCH BOARD MEETINGS

Thursday, September 2, 2021

16. BENEDICTION

Tricia led us in a benediction.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm.