**Sunset United Church**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

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**January 14, 2021**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ATTENDANCE

Present: Jean Cameron, Ken Fensom, Barbara Flaten-Orr, Tricia Gerhard, Denelle Hansen, David Millar, Tim Osborne, Brenda Scarfe, Bryan Tudor, Marion Tudor, Hilary Wallin

Regrets: Susan Black, Trina Hodgson, Michelle McConkey

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

4. DEVOTION

Tricia led us in prayer.

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING

**Moved by David/Bryan that the minutes of the October 15, 2020 board meeting be approved as amended. Carried.**

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Bryon reported that the honoraria paid to the tech crew will be divided with 2/3 going to David Gerhard and 1/3 to Christa Eidsness for their work on Sunday services. Payments will be made twice - once in December and once in June.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Jean received a card from Mildred Morrison’s daughter. Mildred is in a nursing home in Kyle, doing well, and wanting to say hello to folks at Sunset.

8. FINANCIAL REPORT/TREASURER’S REPORT/BUDGET

Denelle led us through the financial reports for the year up to December 31, 2020:

Total income to date: $193,752.58

Total expenses to date: $191,305.09

Net cash flow: $ 2,447.49

A second bank account was opened in order to apply for the CEBA grant.

The FundScrip cheque has yet to be received. Marion will look into that.

Sunset folks donated more to M&S in 2020 than in the previous year so, with the top-up, we are donating $21,044.96.

**Moved by Denelle/David that the year-end financial report be accepted as presented with the understanding that there will be an additional $773.90 added to income. Carried.**

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

None.

10. BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEES/SUPPORT STAFF

10.1 Property. We saved about $380 in electrical bills in 2020 but SaskPower is doing estimates. With the new energy saving lighting we should see even lower bills. Ken will talk to Jayne about reading the meter numbers once a month and submitting them online.

Ken sent the combined gas and electrical bills to Faithful Footprints and is expecting a $1000 cheque soon.

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Annual Reports - Jean asked that all reports be submitted to Jayne by the end of January.

11.2 AGM - The United Church of Canada has deemed that, because of Covid-19, annual meetings are not necessary. It has empowered local church boards to pass budgets, appoint auditors and look after nominations for board positions.

11.3 Confirmation of 2021 Membership. Jean is hoping that all present board members will agree to stay for the next year. She will contact everyone individually.

Bryan reported that the Community Service Committee needs a chairperson. The committee will decide what to do.

11.4 Fundraising - After discussing a few options, Marion will look into holding a second FundScrip order in May or June. Barbara will send Tricia information on the LBC fundraiser through SARCAN.

12. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

David reported that since Monte Kesslering moved, there is an opening on the board of trustees. There remains 6 members which will be sufficient for now.

13. MINISTERS’ REPORTS

Tricia - Advent & Christmas went well in terms of online service attendance

- 120-150 folks are watching weekly services and 300 watched the choir service

- Tricia is talking to the minister from St. Andrew’s in Moose Jaw about having a friendly YouTube competition with Sunset

- shared a longest night service with Westminster

- no service on Dec. 27

- livestreaming from January to spring break (on YouTube only now)

- con ed - January 30 and February 5

- pastoral care

- Cindy Bourgeois (minister at Wesley) is moving to Toronto

- staff meetings on Tuesdays 9:30

- new sound system. We should start thinking about it. Tricia will send email to Corinne, Shirley, Ken, Barbara about next steps

- now planning for Lent and Easter

- live streaming works better on YouTube instead of Facebook

- working on Lent/Easter bags. We should continue with taking Lent/Easter, Advent/Christmas bags, especially for folks who are isolated.

14. UPDATE OF CHURCH CALENDAR

JANUARY

24 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

31 4th Sunday After Epiphany

FEBRUARY

7 5th Sunday after Epiphany

14 Transfiguration Sunday

16 Shrove Tuesday

17 Ash Wednesday

21 Lent 1

28 Lent 2

MARCH

7 Lent 3

14 Lent 4

31 Lent 5

28 Palm Sunday

APRIL

1 Maundy Thursday

2 Good Friday

3 Stations of the Cross special worship

4 Easter Sunday

15. NEXT CHURCH BOARD MEETINGS

Thursday, March 4, 2021 on Zoom

Thursday, April 15, 2021 on Zoom

16. BENEDICTION

Tricia led us in a benediction.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.