**SUNSET UNITED CHURCH**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Final**

**Date: January 25, 2018**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting (Tricia’s first and Terry’s last) was called to order at 7:00pm by chair, Hilary Wallin.

**2. ATTENDANCE**

Present: Jean Cameron, Karen Cartmell, Judy Fawell, Arlene Fehler, Barbara Flaten-Orr, Sharon Frei, Tricia Gerhard, Terry McKague, Janet McMurtry, Aaron Orban, Kevin Perrey, Marion Tudor, Hilary Wallin

**3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Moved by Karen/Judy that the agenda be adopted as presented. Carried.**

**4. DEVOTION**

Tricia led us in a devotion.

**5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING**

**Moved by Sharon/Jean that the minutes of the December 7th Board Meeting be adopted as presented. Carried**.

**6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**6.1 Darrell Reine**

Darrell sent his thanks for the thank you card and gift card

**6.2** **Financial Review**

Denelle Hanson has agreed to do the financial review before the annual meeting.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

**7.1 Shirley Hill**

Shirley sent a card thanking the board for the Christmas gift.

**8. FINANCIAL REPORT/TREASURER’S REPORT**

**8.1 Financial Report**

Arlene led us through the financial report for the year ending December 31, 2017.

Voluntary donations to the M&S fund were $6614. $3386 will be used from general funds to top it up to the budgeted $10,000.

Janet asked if there is a way to find out how much is being donated to M&S through PAR as the Community Service Committee could use this information to structure our Minutes for Mission.

- *Total Income to date is $219,749*

- *Total Expenses to date are $206,960*

- *Net Cash Flow of $12,789*

**Moved by Arlene/Karen that the financial reports be accepted as presented. Carried.**

**9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEES**

There was none.

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

**10.1 LBC Family Subsidizing**

There was a discussion about Sunset being able to help families who want to send children to Lumsden Beach Camp. Hilary provided information on how Westminster United Church handles subsidies for campers. It was decided that there still needs to be more discussion on how exactly to administer the funds. However, it was decided that the minister be the main point of contact for privacy purposes.

**Moved by Marion/Jean that we move $2000 from the contingency fund to the Education Fund for the purpose of providing subsidies for families affiliated with Sunset sending children to United Church camps.**

**10.2 Property Projects**

It was decided that smaller property projects such as door closers, door locks, and new microwave be covered under maintenance.

**10.3 Thank you gift for Michael**

**Moved by Janet/Judy that we approve the purchase of a $500 gift card to Elkridge Resort for Michael Webster as a thank you. Carried.**

**10.4 Regular Computer Maintenance**

It was decided that regular computer maintenance be covered under office expenses.

**10.5 Baptism**

Darlene Stewart’s eight-year-old twin grandsons, Luc Raiden Luis Gonzales and Graidon Stewart Gonzales, were baptized by Michael Webster at Sunset on December 31, 2017. Parents are Jess Gonzales and Jodi Stewart from Bakersfield, California.

**11. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT**

Terry McKague gave his last board of trustees report by regaling us with some history, including approving the building of the east side of the church, investment and insurance decisions. Policies surrounding these topics will be developed by the next Board of Trustees. We also learned from Tricia that the United Church of Canada policy manual states that the minister is automatically the chair of the Board of Trustees unless the minister designates a different person to be chair. Aaron will be searching for Sunset members to volunteer for the Board of Trustees at the annual meeting in February.

**12. PRESBYTERY REPORT**

Marion reported that Presbytery met at Sunset on January 20th. She thanked those who contributed soup, muffins, cookies, and their time. The focus of the meeting was celebrating the past and looking to the future. Presbytery ceases to exist at the end of 2018. The boundaries commission has recently announced the division of the church into regions. Saskatchewan will be a region on its own. There is still much work to be done before all the decisions are made around funds, staffing etc. and how everything will work when the ‘local’ presbyteries are gone and the closest contact with the wider church is at the regional level. Time was spent at the meeting talking about innovative ways to maintain contact with our neighbouring pastoral charges in the future.

**14. MINISTER’S REPORT**

Tricia stated she has only been minister for one week, but a lot has happened already - hospital visit, presbytery meeting, moving, learning procedures, etc.

There was a discussion about possibly streaming church services live on Facebook. It will be determined later.

**15. CHURCH CALENDAR**

* February 13 - Shrove Tuesday. Ken Fensom has volunteered to make pancakes and CGIT members may help.
* February 25 - Annual meeting following the service. The Ladies Fellowship will provide lunch. Sharon will ask folks to bring cookies.
* March 2 - World Day of Prayer
* March 17 - Clothing Sale

**16. NEXT BOARD MEETING**

Thursday, March 8th

Following adjournment at 9:00pm, holy moments were shared and a closing

benediction led by Tricia.