Wesley United Church

Council Meeting – Tuesday November 22, 2016 7:30 pm – Kitchen Lounge

Wesley United Church is a community of Jesus Christ, nurturing spiritual growth, pursuing social action, loving and caring for ourselves and others.

Minutes

Present:

	Name	Position on Council
	Kent Stewart	Past President
	David Kyle	Vice-President
	Valerie Stimpson	Pastoral Care Division - Co-coordinator
	Frances Goudie	Christian Education Division - Coordinator
	Cindy Bourgeois	Minister
	Linda Gunningham	Presbytery Representative
	June Blau	Presbytery Representative
	Gordon Beck	Secretary
	Vacant	Worship Division - Coordinator
	Linda Paul	Pastoral Care Division - Co-coordinator
	Glenn Schmuland	Accounting Convenor
Р	Phil Sevigny	President
R	Cintra Kanhai	Treasurer
R	Graham Parsons	Admin & Finance Division - Coordinator
R	Tessa Whyte	Ministry & Personnel Division - Coordinator

R = Regrets; P = Partial

Call to order - David Kyle, for Phil Sevigny, called the meeting to order at 7:36pm

1. Opening reflection: June Blau

2. Approval of agenda

- a. **Motion 2016-42** moved by June, seconded by Kent That agenda be approved as distributed.
- 3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. In the list of attendees and positions correct the spelling of "Presbytery"
 - b. In minute 6a ii Motion 2016-41 the motion was moved by "Linda G".
 - c. A place to sign the minutes will be added
 - d. **Motion 2016-42:** Moved by Kent, seconded by June that the Minutes be adopted with the above changes.

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- 4. Correspondence
 - a. From Nora Sanders regarding Remits. See changes to info online at GC42.ca/remits. It was pointed out that Council can vote on the remit questions. Council will inform the congregation but a congregational vote is not needed.
 - b. At 8pm Phil Sevigny joined the meeting and assumed the chair.
 - c. Graham Parsons resignation **Motion 2016-43**: moved by Phil, seconded by Kent that we accept the resignation of Graham Parsons with a thank you for his service and we wish him well in his new home in Calgary.
- 5. Business arising from past meetings
 - a. Spiritual Path Project with Whitmore Park
 - i. Phil, Cindy, Kathy Blais, and some people form Whitmore Park had a skype meeting with Trish Gerhard and Tracy Murton.
 - ii. Meetings will start in January with meetings every 2 weeks for 12 weeks.
 - iii. Announce this program on December 4 with a video with Cindy and Trish
 - iv. Purpose of these meetings is to determine if there is an opportunity to work together on this project.
 - b. Phil had to leave the meeting and David Kyle took the Chair.
- 6. New Business
 - a. Info received from Church OS re: Website. It was indicated that this was an informational item at this time. There were positive comments on the proposal. A future package of information will provide costs (one time and monthly) for a website configuration that Wesley would consider. No one at the meeting knew the costs for the current Wesley Website.

7. Committee Updates

- a. Minister Cindy is back from study leave. She visited with someone to discuss the Spiritual Visioning project.
- b. Worship Committee Cindy gave the report from the Worship Committee. Budget meeting needed and to develop info for the admin and finance meeting.
- c. Christian Education Motion 2016-44: Moved by Frances, seconded by Kent That Wesley, under the CE budget, donate a total of \$1500 as follows: \$750 to Lumsden Beach Camp, \$500 to Calling Lakes Centre, and \$250 to St. Andrews College. There was a question about whether we can afford to make these donations based on the financial reports to October 31 projecting a large deficit for the current fiscal year. Motion was carried.
- d. Ministry and Personnel no report. Glenn reported that M&P had a meeting and he has the budget numbers developed at the meeting.
- e. Administration and Finance no report

f. Treasurer - no report

Glenn advised that Council should review and approve the financial reports for each month end. **Motion 2016-45**: Moved by June, seconded by Kent, that Council accept the financial reports for Month end September and October – Carried.

- g. Pastoral Care a written report was provided by e-mail prior to the meeting and is provided as Attachment A.
 - i. Linda advised that a successful "Pumpkin Pie Event" was held. Many phone calls and pickups by car were made to get many shut in seniors out to the event.
 - ii. Wesley Curling is booked for January 28, 2017.
 - iii. Considering new programs such as: "Guess who is coming for dinner".
- h. Presbytery met in October. Next meeting is in January at Wesley.
- i. Past President nothing to report
- j. Vice-President nothing to report
- k. President nothing to report

Motion 2016-46: Moved by Linda G, Seconded by Frances that the Committee Reports be accepted. Carried.

8. Next Meeting

- a. Budget Meeting Saturday December 3 Kitchen Lounge
- b. **Next Council Meeting** December 14 (tentative confirm with President) Everyone please bring some "goodies" for the last meeting before the Christmas Season. Opening Reflection by Wayne Kyle.
- 9. Adjournment Motion 2016-47: Moved by Linda P that we adjourn.

Phil Sevigny, President

Gordon Beck, Secretary

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Pastoral Care Division Report Report to Wesley Council for November 2016 submitted by Linda Paul and Val Stimpson

Key Accomplishments:

-October 21, 2016 -Pumpkin Pie Party held for people with mobility problems specially, but all church members and adherents were welcome and encouraged to come. Between 45 and 55 people attended. We also had many volunteers. Bobbie Nyhus did basically all organizing and planning and phoning. People are always amazed that no admission is charged.

- October 30, 2016 – We had a quarterly Pastoral Care Division Meeting. It was well attended and we have **all positions filled.** Carolyn McBean is chairing Wascana Services and Jeannine Driver and Cintra Kanhai will co-chair Welcoming. (Newcomers is separate from that and chaired by Sharon Mark.

We passed a budget for 2017-2018 which had not been undertaken the last two years as there were no chairs of Pastoral Care.

The budget:

House Expenses - \$2,200.00 Donations \$ 200.00 Fellowship &Fun \$ 300.00 Curling & Chili \$ 50.00 Women's Night Out (Honorarium if necessary) \$125.00 Children's & Electronics - \$125.00 Compassionate Gifts - \$360.00 (Cindy's discretion) Pastoral Care \$125.00 (stamps and cards)

Motion: to approve the budget was passed

Motion: to approve \$200.00 donation to Clare Parker House – **passed but Council is requested to approve this motion.**

Activities in Progress:

1. We discussed the possibility of a Guess Who is Coming to Dinner type evenings for the congregation. Kathy Blais could organize this. It does not necessarily need to fall under the auspices of Pastoral Care. This could be a fund raiser or straight social fellowship.

2. Women's Night Out – suggestions made for speakers

3. Curling and chili Night – Gordon Beck has suggested January 28 (Shirley Dodd's in charge)

4. Pastoral Care Visiting Team:

September -20 phone calls and 6 visits

October – 21 phone calls and 13 visits **plus** 27 extra phone calls due to Pumpkin Pie Party planning

Future Plans:

Possible requests for driving

The Women's and Men's Clubs continue – The Men's Club Christmas Dinner will be on December 2. Susana Wesley Unit went to the English Tea Room in October, in November will stuff toiletry bags for Isobel Johnson House. The House Committee continues on with a full slate of monthly convenors.