

**Wesley United Church**  
 Council Meeting – Wednesday January 17, 2018  
 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:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position on Council</b>
	David Kyle	President
	Kent Stewart	Past President
	Stephanie Dove	Vice-President
	Valerie Stimpson	Pastoral Care Division - Co-coordinator
	Tessa Whyte	Ministry & Personnel Division - Coordinator
R	Francis Goudie	Christian Education Division - Coordinator
	Cindy Bourgeois	Minister
R	Linda Gunningham	Presbytery Representative
	June Blau	Presbytery Representative
P	Al Goudie	Presbytery Representative
	Gordon Beck	Secretary
	Shiela Roske	Worship Division - Coordinator
	Linda Paul	Pastoral Care Division - Co-coordinator
	Jim Chernick	Admin & Finance Division - Coordinator
R	Vacant	Treasurer
P	Glenn Schmuland	Accounting Convener

R = Regrets      P = Partial

1. Call to order - David called the meeting to order at 7:02pm
2. Opening reflection: Sheila Roske
3. Approval of agenda
  - a. Motion 2018-01 Moved by Allan, seconded by June that the agenda be approved as presented.      Carried.
4. Consent Agenda
  - a. Council minutes: Nov. 15, 2017
  - b. President & Minister's reports
  - c. E-mail motions
    - i. Staff pay increases
    - ii. Social Justice donations.

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- d. Correspondence
  - i. The Boundaries Commission is proposing 17 regional councils replace Conferences and presbyteries.
- e. Response from Minister of Health regarding Pastoral Care in Hospitals.
- f. Committee reports
  - i. Worship Committee - written report provided
  - ii. Christian Education - written report provided
  - iii. Administration and Finance - no report
  - iv. Ministry and Personnel - no report
  - v. Treasurer - no report provided - position vacant
  - vi. Pastoral Care - no report
  - vii. Presbytery - Report provided by Linda Gunningham
  - viii. Presidents Report - written report provided
  - ix. Minister's Report - written report provided
- 5. Business Arising from past Meetings
  - a. Council reviewed the 2017 financial statements. Glenn indicated that the deficit for 2017 would be approx \$12600 compared to an expected \$14000+. Motion by Kent, seconded by Stephanie that Wesley use \$5000 from Manse Fund, \$3618 from the Planned Gift Fund and the remainder from the memorial fund to a max of \$5000 in order to cover the 2017 deficit. Carried.
  - b. Observer magazine - Council discussed the budget and various options related to the Observer. Council were aware of letter from Pam Thomas asking Wesley Council to continue to provide all Wesley Members and adherants with a subscription to the Observer. Moved by Al Goudie, Seconded by Sheila Roske that the policy that Wesley United Church provide an observer subscription for every member as per "Policy # AD—8 United Church Observer" be removed. For the 2018 budget, we left \$500 as support for the Observer. We may purchase some subscriptions to make copies available at the church to be borrowed. We would donate the balance to Friends of the Observer. Carried 8 for 2 against. Because this is a change to our policies, a vote of council was necessary.
  - c. 2018 draft budget approval for fiscal meeting. Moved by June, seconded by Kent that we take the 2018 v4 to the congregation for consideration. Carried.
  - d. Discussion on our fiscal future. Glenn indicated we will have a cash flow problem for parts of the year. He will monitor the cash situation. With the huge deficit forecast for 2018 the financial future of Wesley does not look good.

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- e. The congregational fiscal meeting will be Sunday March 4, 2018
  - f. Special Project fund (\$320 allocated in 2014 but never spent by Social Justice). This money will now be returned to the Wesley regular funds.
  - g. Remit 6 - (one order of ministry). This will be discussed after church on Feb 11.
  - h. David wanted it to be known that the AED donated to Wesley was a memorial gift in memory of Murray Hayes and Glenn Jewison.
6. Past President and Vice-President's report were provided in the committee reports section.
7. Next Meeting February 21 (later changed to **Feb 14**).  
February Opening reflection - Tessa.
8. Adjournment by David approximately 9:45pm