

Wesley United Church
Council Meeting – Wednesday June 21, 2017
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
	Phil Sevigny	President
	Kent Stewart	Past President
	David Kyle	Vice-President
	Valerie Stimpson	Pastoral Care Division - Co-coordinator
	Tessa Whyte	Ministry & Personnel Division - Coordinator
	Frances Goudie	Christian Education Division - Coordinator
	Cindy Bourgeois	Minister
R	Linda Gunningham	Presbytery Representative
R	June Blau	Presbytery Representative
	Gordon Beck	Secretary
	Vacant	Worship Division - Coordinator
R	Linda Paul	Pastoral Care Division - Co-coordinator
	Jim Chernick	Admin & Finance Division - Coordinator
	Cintra Kanhai	Treasurer

Guests: Stephanie Dove, Sheila Roske, Council Members for 2017-2018

R = Regrets

Call to order - Phil called the meeting to order at 7:08pm

1. Opening reflection: Cintra Kanhai
2. Approval of Agenda
 - a. **Motion 2017-34** Moved by Kent, Seconded by Cintra that the agenda be approved as presented (with additions at the meeting). **CARRIED.**
3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. **Motion 2017-35** Moved by Kent, Seconded by David, that the minutes of the May 24 Council Meeting be adopted. **CARRIED.**
4. Correspondence
 - a. None

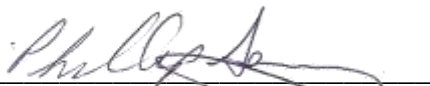
Business arising from past meetings

- b. Remit Discussion and Vote

- i. The Four remits were discussed individually and voted on with different colored ballots for each remit. Wesley Church Council voted YES for all four remits.
 - c. Spiritual Path Project Update
 - i. Tracy Murton has contacted groups and plans to report to the two congregations, Wesley and Whitmore Park on August 27 (last service in Aug).
 - d. Policy Development / Statement on Smudging
 - i. Phil spoke with Darwin and he will create a policy.
 - e. Policy Development/Statement on Allergy Awareness
 - i. We want have a welcoming atmosphere for all people but the responsibility for managing the allergy has to rest with the individual (or parents of the individual) who has an allergy.
 - ii. Council agreed in principle with the proposal to offer hospitality to those suffering from food allergies; however the document presented will be edited and presented to Council again in the fall.
5. New Business
- a. Policy Revisions - Stewardship Committee - June and Jim
 - i. Council were provided with a document that proposed moving the Planned Giving Committee functions to the Stewardship Committee.
Motion 2017- 36 moved by David, Seconded by Kent, that the Stewardship Committee changes be accepted. **CARRIED.**
 - ii. Affirming Budget - **Motion 2017-37** Moved by Cintra, Seconded by David that we add a line item to the budget for Affirming Committee \$500. This item was missed in the December Budget meeting that set our budget. **CARRIED.**
 - b. Neighbourhood Event - **Motion 2017-38** Moved by Tessa, Seconded by Jim, that Wesley combine with Hillsdale Community Association to have a Neighbourhood Event. **CARRIED.**
6. Committee Updates
- a. Minister - for brevity - no comments at this time.
 - b. Worship Committee - Sheila provided a number of issues that will be brought forward by the Worship Committee.
Motion 2017-39 Moved by Tessa, Seconded by Val - that we change the prices on the wedding pamphlet. **CARRIED.**
 - c. Christian Education - Had meeting May 29. The minutes of the meeting are attached as **Appendix A.**
 - d. Ministry and Personnel - nothing to report.
 - e. Administration and Finance.

- i. Catering Fee Increase - **Motion 2017-40** Moved by Jim, Seconded by Kent to increase the cost of weddings at Wesley as follows: auditorium use including the sound system to \$300.00 and organist fee to \$160.00. Also to increase the cost of catering for birthday or other events. Coffee and tea increase by \$0.50 to \$2.50 per person and \$1.00 for coffee, tea and snack service (for beverage service, fruit tray, veggie tray, cheese and crackers) to \$6.00 per person.
 - ii. Property Committee - **Motion 2017-41** Moved by Jim, Seconded by Cintra that we approve the property committee recommendation to repair cracks in the parking lot for a cost of \$1400. This money can come from the current Property budget. **CARRIED.**
 - iii. **Motion 2017-42** Moved by Jim, Seconded by Kent that we make the \$750 donation to Lumsden Beach Camp per the current Wesley budget. **CARRIED.**
- f. Treasurer
- i. **Motion 2017-43** Moved by Cintra, Seconded by Frances that the names of the President - David Kyle, Secretary - Gordon Beck, Treasurer - TBD, and Jim Chernick be added to the list of signers; the names of Steve Greve, Allan Goudie, Cintra Kanhai be removed and the names Glenn Schmuland, June Blau, Lenore Bewcyk, Kent Stewart be kept on the list of signers.
 - ii. **Motion 2017-44** Moved by Cintra, Seconded by Jim that we approve the financial statements to May 31.
- g. Pastoral Care - nothing to report.
- h. Presbytery - no report.
- i. Past President - The Affirm Committee are having another meeting in July and will look at the wedding pamphlet.
- j. Vice-President
- i. the Social Justice Committee are having discussions about things planned for the fall and looking positive.
- k. President - Phil thanked Wesley for the opportunity to be president of Council and he and his family have enjoyed their time at Wesley. He wished Wesley well in the future. The council wished Phil and his family well in their new home in Edmonton.
- l. Next Meeting - September 20th 7pm

Adjournment **Motion 2017- 45:** Phil adjourned the meeting at 9:32pm.



 Phil Sevigny - President

 Gordon Beck – Secretary

Appendix A - Minutes of the Christian Education Committee

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting
May 29, 2017 at 7 p.m.

In attendance: Frances Goudie, Amy McGregor, Stephanie Dove

Regrets: Kathy Blais, Nicole Bawden, Hannah Dove, Cindy Bourgeois

1. Observer – Everyone on the committee is asked to read the Observer and write a note about an article that spoke to them. We can put these together as an announcement to encourage people to read the Observer and donate toward the cost.
2. Spring Fling – A date was proposed but families were away and we didn't have enough interest or volunteers to run an event. Perhaps next year it could be held earlier than Easter Saturday or some activities might be carried out Easter Sunday.
3. Parking Lot Hockey – Kathy and Dom Blais organized two sessions and they were well attended. I understand some members of the Sudanese refugee family attended.
4. Youth Group – The senior teens gather on Sunday morning and have also done other activities. They watched Jesus Christ Superstar and prepared resurrection rolls at Easter, went bowling, did cupcakes for Carmichael Outreach and are painting a mural for the youth room.
5. Rendez-Vous 2017: Be the Church – This event will be held Aug. 16-19,2017 in Montreal. This is a national gathering of United Church youth (going into grade 9), young adults (under 30), and their leaders. Cindy and Hannah have been talking to the youth and there are possibly 4 youth interested in going. We have CE money to assist and Hannah is aware we are prepared to offer some financial assistance. Apparently the Men's Club may offer some financial help as well.
6. Confirmation – Cindy is wondering about offering a confirmation class. Hannah may have some names of interested youth. We discussed putting a notice in the bulletin probably in September. I will talk to Cindy about a notice.
7. Sunday School wind-up will be held June 11. The teachers will describe what their classes studied and introduce their classes. There will be games for all the children. The children, teachers and their families will have a potluck lunch and there will be cake for the whole congregation after church.
8. Scholarship – First Nations University
We need a committee to look at how we set up a scholarship. Fran and Amy will be part of the committee. Other suggested people – Nicole and Greg Bawden, June Blau, Cindy Bourgeois. We are going to ask Jennifer Tupper and Naomi Beingessner if they have some suggestions about someone from the UofR who might be on the committee.
9. Musical Theatre – Milestone/Land United Churches – might this be a fund raising

opportunity or an opportunity to support their musical by attending. Fran will try and contact them to ask about their plans for next year.

10. Lumsden Beach Camp – we do not have a representative. After church on Camp Sunday in May sundaes were available. Money raised went to LBC. There was a shared event with Sunset in May. The Paint Nite raised \$750 from ticket sales and there were cash donations of \$90. Kathy will forward the money to LBC and include a card on behalf of both congregations.

11. Evening study groups – I have had interest expressed in an evening adult study group. One suggestion for study was the Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report. The Social Justice committee will support such a study. However, we would need a qualified facilitator. We wondered if other groups might be studying the Calls to Action.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.