

Wesley United Church
Council Meeting – Wednesday October 18, 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 |
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| | David Kyle | President |
| | Kent Stewart | Past President |
| | Stephanie Dove | Vice-President |
| R | Linda Paul | Pastoral Care Division - Co-coordinator |
| | Valerie Stimpson | Pastoral Care Division - Co-coordinator |
| | Tessa Whyte | Ministry & Personnel Division - Coordinator |
| | Francis Goudie | Christian Education Division - Coordinator |
| | Cindy Bourgeois | Minister |
| | Linda Gunningham | Presbytery Representative |
| | Al Goudie | Presbytery Representative |
| | June Blau | Presbytery Representative |
| | Gordon Beck | Secretary |
| | Sheila Roske | Worship Division - Coordinator |
| | Jim Chernick | Admin & Finance Division - Coordinator |
| R | Vacant | Treasurer |

R = Regrets P = Partial Attendance

1. Call to order and welcome - David called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm
2. Opening reflection: June
3. Discussion of consent agenda, approval of agenda
 - a. Motion 2017-51 Moved by June, seconded by Al. That we accept the agenda as distributed with the addition of:
 - i. Ministers Benevolent fund
 - ii. Ministerial Assistant position

.....carried
4. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Council minutes: Sept 20, 2017

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- b. President & Minister's reports
 - c. E-mail Motion for Wesley Council concerning the Standing Buffalo Lacrosse Team
 - d. Correspondence
 - i. Letter from Premier - letter of reply received.
 - ii. E-mail from Lumsden Beach Camp was received.
 - iii. Letter re: Remits was received from the National Office.
 - e. Committee Reports
 - i. Worship Committee
 - ii. Christian Education
 - iii. Administration and Finance
 - iv. Ministry and Personnel
 - v. Treasurer
 - vi. Pastoral Care
 - vii. Presbytery
5. Business arising from past meetings
- a. Affirming Ministry & Mission/Vision/Values update – Kent/Cindy/David
 - b. Kent will be leading a worship service in November
 - c. Marriage Policy
 - i. **Motion 2017-52** Moved by Sheila, seconded by Linda G that Wesley adopt the Wedding Policy as proposed (subject to minor formatting for the Wesley Policy Book)
 - d. Search for Treasurer: No one has stepped forward after several people have been approached. Various options were discussed and will be pursued.
 - e. Admin & Finance re: United Church Foundation – **Motion 2017-53**: Moved by Jim, seconded by June that the signers for the United Church Foundation be two of the Chair of the Trustees, Chair of Admin & Finance, and the Accounting Convenor.
 - f. Ministers Benevolent Fund - Cindy advises that a problem has arisen that with someone in the congregation needing help. **Motion 2017-54**: Moved by Kent, seconded by Tessa that we increase the ministers benevolent fund with an additional \$500. ... Carried.
 - g. Ministerial Assistant Position: **Motion 2017-55** Moved by Tessa, seconded by Stephanie that we extend the contract of Kathy Blais who currently occupies the ministerial Assistant Position. Carried.

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- h. David led a discussion on Council “Visioning and Strategy. Both David and Cindy were pleased with the community events that have been held in the past month. Both the Social Justice Pot Luck and the Community Event with hot dogs were considered successful.
 - i. Sheila reported on the progress being made with the “free supper” to be provided for Post-Secondary Education Students (UofR and SIAST). The event will be held on Sunday Nov 19 evening. The group wants to have the students come to Wesley for food and fellowship. Costs at this time are unknown. This type of event may be held again - possibly in the New Year.
 - j. **E-mail Motion 2017-56:** (As recommended by the Social Justice Committee). Moved by Kent, Seconded by Stephanie, that the Standing Buffalo Lacrosse Program be made a project of Wesley United Church. ... Carried.
6. Past President and Vice-President’s reports - no reports
7. June mentioned that Treaty Four days will be September 2018 and she suggested Wesley may want to do something as a group.
8. Next Meeting: Nov 15 - November Meeting opening reflection by Kent.
9. Adjournment: David adjourned the meeting about 9:30pm.

David Kyle - President

Gordon Beck - Secretary

Upcoming dates for Council:

Nov. 15 – Council meeting

Dec. 2 – Finance Planning/Budget Meeting