

**Wesley United Church**  
 Council Meeting – Wednesday September 21, 2017  
 7:00 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
R	Valerie Stimpson	Pastoral Care Division - Co-coordinator
	Tessa Whyte	Ministry & Personnel Division - Coordinator
R	Francis Goudie	Christian Education Division - Coordinator
	Cindy Bourgeois	Minister
	Linda Gunningham	Presbytery Representative
P	June Blau	Presbytery Representative
	Gordon Beck	Secretary
	Sheila Roske	Worship Division - Coordinator
R	Linda Paul	Pastoral Care Division - Co-coordinator
	Jim Chernick	Admin & Finance Division - Coordinator
	Vacant	Treasurer
	Glenn Schmuland	Accounting Convenor

R = Regrets P=Part of Meeting

Call to order - David called the meeting to order at 7:04pm

Opening reflection: Cindy Bourgeois

1. Approval of agenda
  - a. **Motion 2017-46** Moved by Stephanie Seconded by Kent. That the agenda be adopted as circulated with the additions as brought forth at the beginning of the meeting. Carried
  
2. Approval of Minutes of June 21, 2017
  - a. **Motion 2017-47** Moved by Kent, seconded by Sheila that the minutes be adopted as circulated. Carried.
  - b. June Blau joined the meeting at 7:25pm

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3. Correspondence
  - a. Spiritual care letter to Premier Wall (May 26, 2017)
  - b. Approval of Sponsorship Applications (GOC, Sept. 7, 2017)
  - c. Remit 1-4 vote results (General Council Office, July 6, 2017)
  - d. Lumsden Beach Camp 50/50 draw – e-mail of Sept 17, 2017
  
4. Business arising from past meetings
  - a. Spiritual Path Project Updates. During the summer services by Trish Gerhart she spoke about the Spiritual Path Project and mentioned there were four topics left to be worked on. Various people are engaged in various activities. There were discussions about options for working with other south Regina United Churches.
  - b. Affirming Ministry & Mission/Vision/Values update – Kent/Cindy Kent on behalf of the Affirming Committee has updated the Wedding Policy and are having discussions about updates to the Mission Statement.
  - c. Spiritual Care/Wascana Rehab update - removal of the one staff position for Spiritual Care by the Health District. Many changes are happening within the health district. **Motion 2017-48** Moved by Kent seconded by Linda that we resend the letter to the government concerning the 2017 pastoral care position. Carried
  - d. Food Allergy Policy - This document has been approved in principle at the June meeting will be marked draft and used immediately. The document will be referred to pastoral care division for their review and suggestions.
  
5. New Business
  - a. Priorities of 2017-18 Wesley Council (all). David Kyle wondered if there were ways we could make our council meetings more efficient and effective. He will try a “consent agenda” for each meeting. An attempt to have all items for the Council Meeting (on Wed) distributed before the weekend prior so that people have more time to review the documents. He would like our council meetings to have less “busy-ness” and more strategy & visioning.
  - b. Sponsorship approvals and next steps. The Second Refugee family has been approved by Immigration Canada but will probably be a year before they arrive in our country.
  - c. Web Site Upgrade - the money for a new website is in the budget and the website upgrades were approved by council so a new website can be implemented.
  - d. LBC 50/50 – Lottery policy. The council recognized that the United Church of Canada has a policy against games of chance. Kent will prepare a letter to LBC indicating that United Church policy is against games of chance and recognizing the tremendous amount of volunteer work done by the LBC board members.

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- e. **Motion 2017-49** Kent moved, seconded by Linda G, that the price increases proposed by pastoral care be approved. For memorial teas the price per person would be \$4.00 (up from \$3.50) and the maximum charge would be \$600 (up from \$500). Carried.
- f. Glenn indicated he attended this council meeting because he wanted to make sure he was aware of any questions council may have about the financial issues. He emphasized that it is important for council to review the financial statements/reports and approve them. Glenn asked if council wished to proceed with the previous method of putting together the budget. He proposed a budget meeting on first Saturday of December and Council agreed. Council were very appreciative of all the work Glenn does for the accounting and reporting the financial activity at Wesley.
- g. **Motion 2017-50** Moved by June, seconded by Linda G that we approve the financials for June, July and August. Carried.
- h. Council determined that all the people with signing authority had been to Affinity Credit Union to sign the signature forms.
- i. Jim indicated the Property Committee had received quotations on installing clear glass in the chapel lounge door. **Motion 2017-51** Moved by Jim, seconded by Stephanie by that they install clear glass in the chapel lounge door at a price of \$409. Carried.

Committee Reports - due to time constraints it was decided not to have detailed reports from each committee. Significant items had been discussed earlier in the meeting.

- j. Minister
- k. Worship Committee
- l. Christian Education
- m. Ministry and Personnel
- n. Administration and Finance
- o. Treasurer
- p. Pastoral Care
- q. Presbytery
- r. Past President
- s. Vice-President
- t. President

6. Next Meeting October 18, 2017

Adjournment - **Motion 2017-50** Moved by Kent, Seconded by Stephanie that we adjourn.

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David Kyle - President

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Gordon Beck - Secretary