

**Wesley United Church**  
 Council Meeting  
 January 16, 2019 7:00 pm

*Wesley United Church, located on Treaty 4 land, is an Affirming Ministry of Jesus Christ, nurturing spiritual exploration and growth. We advocate for justice and social action. We love and care for ourselves and our neighbours throughout the world.*

**Minutes**

Present:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position on Council</b>
	Stephanie Dove	President
	David Kyle	Past President
	Dan Holbrow	Vice-President
	Al Goudie	Secretary
	Jim Chernick	Treasurer
	June Blau	Admin & Finance Division Coordinator
	Frances Goudie	Christian Education Division Coordinator
	Linda Paul	Pastoral Care Division Coordinator
	Valerie Stimpson	Pastoral Care Division Coordinator
	Tessa Whyte	Ministry & Personnel Division Coordinator
	Sheila Roske	Worship Division Coordinator
R	Cindy Bourgeois	Minister
	Susan Breisch	Pastoral Charge Supervisor

R = Regrets    P = Partial

1. Call to order – Stephanie welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.
2. Opening reflection – Sheila Roske.
3. Approval of agenda  
**Motion 2019-01: That the agenda be approved as amended.** M/S Al Goudie/Sheila Roske – carried.
4. Approval of minutes from November 21, 2018 council meeting. Two amendments were proposed: The minutes as circulated included several lines from the October minutes and these should be deleted; in the second bullet of item 7.1 after the word “description” add “for Events and Projects Coordinator”.  
**Motion 2019-02: That the minutes of the meeting of November 21, 2018 be adopted as amended.** M/S Frances Goudie/June Blau – carried.
5. Consent Agenda:
  - o Financial statements – removed from the Consent Agenda – a preliminary year to date statement was provided at the meeting. A final statement will be circulated to Council for review.
  - o President’s report
  - o Correspondence
  - Committee reports:
    - o Worship
    - o Christian Education
    - o Administration and Finance
    - o Ministry and Personnel
    - o Treasurer – removed from the Consent Agenda and added as item 6.7.
    - o Pastoral Care
    - o Social Justice
    - o Presbytery

Update from the staff

**Motion 2019-03: That the consent agenda be approved with the exception of financial statements and treasurer's report.** M/S June Blau/Frances Goudie – carried.

6. New Business

6.1 Recommend budget for annual financial meeting. The draft budget was circulated in advance and discussed.

**Motion 2019-04: That Council recommends the 2019 Budget Version 2 as the basis of the presentation at the Annual Financial Meeting.** M/S Dan Holbrow/Jim Chernick – carried.

6.2 Plan for increased fundraising. Linda Paul suggested a fruit sale (cherries perhaps) similar to the peach sale by All Saints Anglican. Linda and Fran will investigate further and report back to Council. David Kyle has a contact in BC who might sell fruit to us at a discount in exchange for a gift-in-kind tax receipt. David will contact the supplier once we are ready to move forward with this. David Kyle said Ted Jaletta offered to use his personal story for a fundraising event. David will speak to Ted and report back. Kathy Blais has scheduled a board game night this coming Friday. A Pizza night was suggested. There was discussion about putting solar panels on the roof and selling power to the grid. June Blau said this might be possible if Wesley joined Wascana Solar Co-op. June will investigate and report back. It was suggested that divisions be asked to fundraise to pay for their budgeted donations (eg CE fundraising for the donation to Lumsden Beach Camp).

**Motion 2019-05: That Council challenge the divisions that request monies for donations to raise that money for their budgeted donations.** M/S Sheila Roske/Dan Holbrow – carried.

6.3 Plan for increased rentals. Kathy Blais should develop a promotion piece to circulate through social media. Sue Breisch is the minister at Lakeview United church and said that Lakeview receives more requests for rental of space than they can accommodate. Sue offered to ask that Lakeview's overflow requests for rental of space be referred to Wesley.

6.4 Plan to create/increase partnerships with other United Churches in Regina. Trisha Gerhardt, minister at Sunset United Church has approached Lakeview to join the Tri-Church summer worship services.

6.5 Decide on date for annual financial meeting. There is uncertainty when the statements would be ready – referred to Admin & Finance to pick a date.

- 6.6 Wesley Choir trip to New York. Sheila Roske reported that the choir has been invited to sing at Carnegie Hall, New York on December 2, 2019 and to attend a workshop with Mark Hays. 17 members wish to participate. The estimated cost is \$3,000 per person. The choir is planning to do some fundraising. Sheila speculated that the choir may later ask Council if Wesley can provide some financial assistance.
- 6.7 Treasurer's report. Jim Chernick proposed two motions:  
**Motion 2019-06: That Council approve the budgeted salary increases.** M/S Jim Chernick/June Blau – carried.  
**Motion 2019-07: That the 2018 deficit be paid from the following sources: \$3,000 from the Planned Gift Fund, \$5,000 from the Manse Fund and the balance from the Memorial Fund.** M/S Jim Chernick/June Blau – carried.
7. Past President and Vice President's report – none.
8. Next meeting: February 21, 2019, 7:00 pm. In the absence of the Secretary, Jim Chernick will take the minutes.
9. Volunteer for reflection: June Blau
10. Adjournment at 9:20 pm.