

Leadership Team Minutes – June 14, 2017

Present: Brenda Moorhouse, Angela Mills, Beth Kerr, Deanna Mitchell, Debbie Nelson, Cindy Curry, Charlotte Jones, Julie Baker, Greg Cochrane, Patti Brown

Regrets: Auna-Marie Brown

Opening Prayer – Beth led us in opening prayer with a video of inspiration from the recent conference.

Minutes and Correspondence - Brenda moved, Charlotte second to accept the minutes as circulated.
CARRIED

Discussions and Decisions

1. **Affirming Interest Group** – On May 11, the congregation made a unanimous vote to recommend to the Leadership Team to become an affirming ministry. Greg moved, Brenda seconded that we become an affirming ministry. CARRIED. A service of celebration will take place on Sunday, September 10th, which is the Sunday before the Portage Pride Parade on Saturday, September 16th. Cindy and Angela will assist with the planning for the celebration.
2. **Painting the bathrooms** – The bathrooms are going to be painted in the colour “lamb skin” this summer when Don has time.
3. **Privacy Issue** – The Leadership Team has decided that parents having their child baptized will be given the choice in preparation discussions to have their child’s name not included in Trini-tidings and the name will be withheld in the minutes posted on the website.
4. **Marriage Prep** – A new Marriage Prep program called “More Than Friends” was tested with two couples this year. It is a series of 5 short 15 minute videos on key topics that are designed to start discussion. The program has a one-time fee for the Leader’s portion of \$100 which we have paid and a \$29 fee per couple. While not perfect the program is worth continuing to use with couples requesting marriage here at Trinity. Currently the wedding fees include \$300 for the sanctuary, \$130 for the minister, \$70 for caretaking. Angela moved, Deanna seconded to charge the marriage prep fee and include it in the wedding fees. CARRIED.
5. **Stewardship** – The Stewardship Interest Group is interested in using “Investing in our Future” as the theme for the Fall Stewardship Campaign. If we do decide to go ahead with an investment fund before the Fall Stewardship Campaign gets underway, it could be incorporated into this theme. They also wondered about setting aside a Stewardship Sunday in late October or early November to have a visioning for the future focus with a guest preacher in worship on Sunday morning and then an afternoon workshop facilitated by the same person to help Trinity imagine where we might be headed as we move into the future. The Leadership Team will support this initiative. Brenda moved, Cindy seconded to give the Stewardship Interest Group a budget of \$600 from the Memorial Fund to be used for the campaign. CARRIED

6. **High School Graduations** – There is a large group of students graduating from High School this year that are actively involved in Trinity. Brenda moved, Patti carried to send a card to the graduates and include a small ad in the graduation version of the Daily Graphic. CARRIED.
7. **Concert Tickets** - Carlyle Printers offered us two tickets to the Miranda Lambert concert in October. The Leadership Team agreed to accept the tickets and will decide what to do with them at a later date.
8. **Elevator** – We have received an estimate for the elevator for \$57,519.95. Greg moved, Deanna seconded to proceed with making a plan to replace the elevator based on a revised quote and timeline. CARRIED

Reports and Updates

1. Finance Report – The Leadership Team reviewed the financial statements up to May 31, 2017. Greg moved, Cindy seconded to accept the financial report as presented. CARRIED
2. Investment Policy – The Investment Policy is still a work in progress. For short-term investing, we will use our current signing officers to set-up the account which will earn slightly more than we are currently earning with a low risk investment.
3. Church Calendar – The Leadership Team reviewed the June & July calendars.
4. Team Updates
 - Stewardship – The Stewardship Committee is working on the fall campaign.
 - Structure Support Team/House Groups – No report.
 - Sunday School – Sunday School is over for the summer.
 - Property – The Property Committee is looking into the roof for potential replacements.
5. Interest Group Updates
 - Saturday Breakfasts – The Saturday breakfasts are done until the fall. There is still no one coordinating the breakfasts.
 - Pool Party – The Pool Party will be held on July 13th.
 - Refugee Coalition – No report.
 - Conference Report – The Conference was successful and was well hosted.
 - Folk Fest – No report.
 - Transportation – Handivan
 On Sunday, June 11, there were six people that used the Handivan (Queens - Marlene Coltart, Windsor - Jean Harkness, Manor - Eva Sissons, Regency - Mary Domes, Oddfellows – Marlene McKelvey, residence - Jeannie Crandell). Anita Miles was the driver, Paula & Owen McKenzie, escorts and Peggy Tidsbury at the elevator. Jacquie will be asked to assist with Handivan contacting people for September. We still need a coordinator for this.
- Trini-Treasures – The turnout for the Trini-Treasures was less than other years. The net profit was \$1,077. Some items have been kept back for church use. There were 75 man

hours that went into the sale. It was noted that the fundraiser is a tremendous amount of time.

6. Ministry and Personnel – They have been working with the care taker after feedback was received.
7. Agassiz Presbytery – Charlotte noted that the conference had many highlights and carried out the theme “Not Because We Have To”. The M&S total from the conference weekend was \$10,415.70. The Presbytery met following the conference. There is a new logo for General Council 43.
8. UCW – No report.
9. Membership Status Update – The discussion of having a membership drive will take place in the fall. There was a request to have confirmation classes offered throughout summer months. The Leadership Team agreed with the decision to further look into the options for offering this if there is commitment.

Deaths:

Member:

Norma Guinn, May 21, 2017

Gwen McCorrister, June 6, 2017

Adherents and other:

Grace Verwey, May 15, 2017

Sadie Jenkins, June 6, 2017

10. Snacks for the September meeting will be provided by Angela.
11. Closing prayer – Julie led us in closing prayer.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 13, 2017

Debbie Nelson, Chair

Deanna Mitchell, Secretary