

Leadership Team Minutes – September 13, 2017

Present: Debbie Nelson, Lesia Case, Cindy Curry, Beth Kerr, Julie Baker, Brenda Moorhouse, Auna-Marie Brown, Greg Cochrane, Patti Brown

Regrets: Charlotte Jones, Dianne Sloane, UCW Rep, Angela Mills

Thank You's – we began the meeting with writing thank you notes

Opening Prayer – Beth led an opening prayer

This Sunday we celebrated becoming an Affirming Ministry and a press release has been issued which will be in the newspaper tomorrow. Saturday is the Pride Parade for anyone who is interested.

Minutes and Correspondence – Moved by Cindy, seconded by Patti that the minutes of the June meeting be accepted as circulated. CARRIED.

Discussions and Decisions

1. **Stewardship** – The Stewardship Team presented a proposal for visioning day with EDGE convenor Lesley Harrison on November 19. Leadership Team members are encouraged to write this right away on their calendar and to personally ask others to participate (the personal ask is the best way to encourage someone to invest the time in this).

Moved by Brenda, seconded by Auna to approve up to \$1000 for the cost of a facilitator for the visioning day from the Future Projects Fund. CARRIED.

We will talk about how to do the food closer to the time. We might purchase food so no one has to work in the kitchen. For example we could do a social-lunch type concept. Lesley wants to have a video-conference to talk about shaping the visioning day. Debbie and Auna are interested.

2. **Elevator** – We have a revised quotation from the Access Store. We have only one quote. Julie found another elevator company name in an old file. Quote is just under \$60,000. It would give us 3 inches wider and 10 inches longer. It would operate differently than the current one. It would be more like the one in the West Wing. Someone is replacing the elevator at Odd Fellows Towers. We would like another quote if possible. We will ask Jacquie to check with the Access Store about warranty. There are advantages to going to the same people who service the other elevator. We also want to bring the trustees on board with this and get their perspective.

Moved by Patti, seconded by Greg that we go with Access store based on their quote from July 10 and that we proceed with a plan for a time in this coming year. CARRIED.

We might be able to get some help in February from within the congregation. We commend to Stewardship that we would welcome a capital campaign for this.

- 3. Investment Policy** – The Credential Asset Management Account (short-term investment) has been opened and money is in the account, however the investment policy is still being created.

Moved by Greg and seconded by Auna-Marie that we approve the transfer of \$400,000 from the Stride Credit Union Account to remain in a savings account through Credential Asset Management Account. CARRIED.

Greg and Debbie will continue to work on a draft investment policy and gather a small group together to make a recommendation.

- 4. Confirmation** – Confirmation Sunday is September 24.

Lesia moved and Deanna seconded to approve the membership by profession of faith (confirmation) of Jennifer Mills, Madelyn Essery and Calli Owens and Erin Owens. CARRIED.

We have ordered personalized water bottles for them and one other young person who took Confirmation but has chosen not to be confirmed. Greg, Cindy and Lesia will be presenters and will meet the confirmands for breakfast on Confirmation Sunday. Deanna, Brenda and Patti will provide muffins for the breakfast. Cindy will buy a fruit tray and will have the coffee going in the morning.

Auna-Marie moved and Patti seconded to spend \$125 on the Confirmation gifts and a fruit tray, which will come out of the memorial fund. CARRIED.

- 5. Sound System** – There have been a number of complaints about the clarity of the sound system. Patti will ask the Executive Director from the Glesby Centre (Keith Hutlet) to come and check out the sound system to try and find a resolution.

Reports and Updates

- 1. Finance Report** – The Leadership Team reviewed the financial statements up to August 31, 2017.

Greg moved and Cindy seconded to accept the financial report as presented. CARRIED.

- 2. Church Calendar** – The Leadership Team reviewed the September & October calendars.

- 3. Team Updates**

- Stewardship – no other updates.
- Structure Support Team/House Groups – There will be a Structure Support Team meeting in early October. Sandy Bazin is the new committee member for the team.
- Sunday School – Amy Chappellaz and Julie are working on coordinating the Sunday School leaders.
- Property – We are waiting on quotes for two new doors & framing for the nursery school door & BBBS door (plus exterior hardware for BBBS door). It is too late to receive grants for these projects for this year.

- 4. Interest Group Updates**

- Saturday Breakfasts – The House Group is organizing the October breakfast and Otto & Eileen are organizing the November breakfast. A sign up sheet will be circulated in October to get someone for December.
 - Pool Party – It was a good event.
 - Refugee Coalition – Both families had a wonderful time at the pool party. There have been a number of fun events throughout the summer for both families. One family moved from an apartment into a house. We are nearing the time where we are completing our financial support for the families. Two of the children have jobs at Boston Pizza and McDonalds, but the adults do not have jobs yet.
 - Folk Fest – No update.
 - Transportation – Handivan – Owen McKenzie provided Auna-Marie with some suggestions for the Handivan coordination. We need someone to administer the coordination of the Handivan. On Sunday, Debbie will ask the congregation if anyone is interested in coordinating. Auna-Marie will work with Jacquie to coordinate for October.
 - Trini-Treasures – We have a lot of people planning to move in the near future so we might want to know this in advance to advise them about what they might do with their stuff. We do make some money from this event, but will need to find a coordinator.
5. Ministry and Personnel – They are having their first meeting of the fall on Sept. 21.
6. Agassiz Presbytery – All of the remits passed and the church is working on an implementation plan to come to the next General Council this coming summer. There will be a Presbytery meeting on Sept. 30.
7. UCW – No update.
8. Membership Status Update
- Deaths:
Member:
 Ernie Askin, June 17, 2017
 Dorothy Jordan, July 27, 2017
 Eva Sissons, August 17, 2017
 Val Garlick, August 28, 2017
- Adherents and other:*
 Lionel Switzer, June 13, 2017
 Kay Wishart, June 14, 2017
 Alvin Nicholls, June 29, 2017
 Jack McMaster, August 19, 2017
 Ken Orr, August 25, 2017
 Richard “Dick” Walker, September 2, 2017
 Ellis Gouthro, September 9, 2017
 Karine Lee, September 12, 2017
- Transfer out:
 Bob McKibbin to St. Andrew’s River Heights United
9. Deanna will provide snacks for the October meeting

10. Julie led Closing prayer

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 11, 2017

Debbie Nelson, Chair

Deanna Mitchell, Secretary