

Trinity United Church Leadership Team Meeting
Trinity United Church
Wednesday, June 14, 2023 – *held in lower hall at 7 pm*

Present: Lesia Case, Kim Guy, Alan Brown, Tanis Essery, Lynne Sanderson, Donna Matthews, Stephanie Verhoeven, Denise Stairs

Regrets: Pam Lotun, Diane Routledge

Call to Order: 7:04 pm

Land acknowledgment

As we meet, we remember that we gather on Treaty 1 land. This is the traditional land of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Dene, Dakota, and Oji-Cree nations and is the homeland of the Metis.

Opening Prayer

Approval of the Minutes

Motion: to approve the minutes from May 10, 2023 as circulated.

Moved by: Kim Guy

Seconded by: Lesia Case

Carried

Correspondence: See new business

Discussions and Decisions:

Worship Service in auditorium – It's been suggested by a few people moving worship downstairs because of the intense heat in the sanctuary. Doing so removes the online option. It also removes the recorded after option the way it is currently done although another set up for that would be possible. In-person considerations would be that we won't have mics for people to hear people, music as we are now using recordings, and screens for the lyrics. However, there are consequences with each choice. August services should also be considered.

June 18 cannot be considered as we need to host on Zoom for our congregational meeting. Discussion was held regarding the pros and cons and it was felt we should remain in the sanctuary.

Motion: that we remain in the sanctuary for the summer services.

Moved by: Kim Guy

Seconded by: Alan Brown

Carried

Congregational Meeting - A congregational meeting has been called for Trinity United Church for Sunday, June 18, 2023 at 11:45 a.m. with in-person and Zoom options for attendance. The purpose of the meeting is to consider the recommendation from the Search Team for a new minister. All members and adherents are encouraged and invited to attend.

Logistics: Alan and Donna to take attendance.

Plans for zoom (tech support volunteers): Amy? & Kim, Denise willing to help also.

Vote counter: Kim will ask Amy

Secretary for meeting: Tanis will take via Zoom

Mitchell would like to see Trinity have a stronger presence in the community. To that end, he's been in touch with Serious Marketing Group for a quote to bring in a sign (5x9 ½ ft. or 4x4 ft., the base of which is 4x5 ft.) Signs are \$189 per month, plus a \$69 set up fee (rebated after 3 months). As far as the letters go, they will compile all four messages for the month, place the first on the sign, and bring us the letters for the remaining changes for the month. Mitchell's vision is to place the sign on the southeast corner of the property. Mitchell is looking for approval from the Leadership Team to go ahead with this project. Discussion was held.

Motion: to approve Mitchell's request to rent the sign for a 3 month trial, starting August/September.

Moved by: Stephanie Verhoeven

Seconded by: Donna Matthews

Carried

Finance Report:

Motion: to accept the financials as presented:

Moved by: Donna Matthews

Seconded by: Alan Brown

Carried

Calendar Review- Reviewed

Worship Plan and Pulpit Supply:

Summer worship rotation, with guest worship leaders officiating in their own churches:

McKenzie: July 2 (Norman Collier), 9 (TBA), 16 (Norman Collier)

First Presbyterian: July 23, 30, August 6

Trinity: August 13 (TBA), 20 (Wilma), 27 (Wilma)

Sunday School: Sunday School wrap up was last Sunday (June 11). Plans for fall? Uncertain what we should do in the Fall with a lack of children and teachers. Not ready to make decisions yet, will defer until August.

M&P Report: Met today. Julie will be meeting with her Dr next week to discuss her future work roles. Will not be able to lead any August services but hopes to take part. Does not feel she would be able to work more than part time in September if she is healthy enough to return then. Going forward M&P feels they should not be the ones organizing the pulpit supply and we need to find someone else to take this role on.

Motion: to close the office during Jacquie's holidays, July 24-August 7.

Moved by: Kim Guy

Seconded by: Denise Stairs

Carried

UCW Report: Chance 2 Grow Petunia Sale brought in \$579 (637 plants sold)

Property: Point West Electric was in to install a receptacle in the front office entrance. This has proven very useful for plugging in the doorbell, as well as the vacuum cleaner.

Stewardship: will meet June 19

Trustees:

Bev Bachalo will remain on trustees until she wishes to change her status. Patti Brown has agreed to serve on Trustees and this will require a vote at a congregational meeting. This could be at the next annual meeting or included if one happens prior to it.

Meeting planned for June 14 (prior to the Leadership Team meeting) to discuss sanctuary steps, they will be speaking with the company. It's been suggested we use stair nose or visual grip to edge the steps to make going down them safe.

Kim spoke to Jen Roy (Girl Guides leader) about paying the \$25 custodian fee moving forward. Jen is leaving her position within the group but will relay the message to the new incoming leader in the Fall.

Structure Support Team: No report

TriniTidings: Discussed mailing out just a layout of the summer schedule as there isn't a lot of other information to include. We could also have copies to hand out in church. Discussed that we didn't really do this! Summer dates can continue to be put in the bulletins and on the website and social media.

Tech Support and Equipment needs: All good

Prairie to Pine Region – Brenda Brand represented Trinity at the annual meeting June 01 – 04.

Sandra Rex commented she was very pleased with the participation by the youth and found the church services very interesting and meaningful.

-Remit was passed at Regional.

-Excellent panel discussion on how to be an Intercultural Church.

-Proposal from floor re: climate control and banks need to hear how people feel about the matter-to be dealt with by Executive.

-M&S Fundraiser theme musical mash up raised \$7000.00

-Church services also very meaningful, held in air conditioned places!

-Attendees very happy to meet together.

Affirming Ministry – Pride Parade update: Was a very successful event. Our cookie supply was generous! Approximately 35 people came to the reception. Everyone was very appreciative of our hospitality. Our thanks to Pam for putting this event together.

Saturday Breakfasts – no report

Coverage for Julie's work and other church stuff. As listed:

Sundays:

- Music: The choir has wrapped up for the season (until Fall), so we have returned to recorded music for the remainder of June.
- Big picture themes and coordination (worship committee?) Not really happening at present except through Jacquie.
- Pulpit supply – We need to find leadership for August 13, the other two dates are covered. Sylvia Lyall is the point person for this task, and ALL Sundays are filled through June 2023.
- Technology – Pam has now started doing Youtube uploads. Julie has programmed some social media content, and Tanis and Pam have been adding content.
- Sunday Hosting: has been absorbed into house group duties

Pastoral care:

- Funerals – we have a list of people who are able to do funerals for us. Lesia Case is the volunteer point person for ‘after hours’.
- On demand pastoral care calls – Brenda Brand has suggested that she might be available for emergency on demand or pastoral calls. Jacquie and Lesia are working together should any of these referrals be required.
- Personal care homes – shut ins
- Hospital and palliative care
- General community building

Meetings:

- Lynne Sanderson is required for any decision making meetings (Trustees, Leadership Team, Annual meeting)

New or unfinished Business:

Category 3 Remit: Establishing an Autonomous National Indigenous Organization - Lynne did a presentation to move us through the remit information. Lynne will use this coming Sunday to present information about the remit. It will include a video with our Moderator Rev Carmen Landsdowne.

Membership Status Update:

New members

Transfer:

Deaths

Members:

Adherents & Other:

Al Kasijan, May 23, 2023

Tom Bailey, June 04, 2023

Closing Prayer

Next Meeting: August 30, 2023 @7:00

Adjournment: 8:26 p.m.

_____ Lynne Sanderson, Acting Chair

_____ Tanis Essery, Secretary