

Trinity United Church Official Board Minutes – May 10th, 2022

Mission: To Grow in Faith, Fellowship and Service with Christ Jesus

Present: Jason Splett (Chair), Al Friesen, Alan Silvius, Alison Murray, Barry Hill, Connie Haigh, Darlynn Smith, Dave Thompson, Reverend Doug Neufeld, Gloria McMillan, Irene Thompson, Miranda Edwards, Murray McMillan, & Donna Neufeld (Recording Secretary).

Regrets: Todd Kruk

1.0 Jason welcomed everyone to the meeting and called the meeting to order @ 7:01 p.m.

2.0 Jason read the Covenant of Leadership and led us in prayer.

3.0 Approval of Agenda as amended- Agenda item 9.8 – Rentals was added under Additions to Agenda

Motion 1: Darlynn Smith approved the May 10th, 2022 agenda as amended. Al Friesen seconded the motion.

CARRIED

4.0 Approval of Minutes – April 12th, 2022

Motion 2: Barry Hill approved the April 12th, 2022 minutes. Alan Silvius seconded the motion.

CARRIED

5.0 Correspondence – Jason received an inquiry about whether the Board is allowing the promotion of personal business in the newsletter, is there a charge to advertise in the newsletter or are ads for Board members only allowed?

- There was discussion and it was decided that no private business will be included in the newsletter going forward and there will be guidelines developed as to what will can be included in the newsletter.

6.0 Finance Report – Eden sent out the year-end Finance Reports via email.

- There was discussion on the Finance Reports, and it was agreed the Chair would reach out to the Treasurer. One of the items discussed was having a Treasurer's summary of the finance reports bringing any financial concerns to the Board's attention.

7.0 Minister's report –

- Reverend Doug noted there is an upcoming wedding and baptism.

- Worship – Alan & the Worship Committee’s service on May 8th received very positive feedback.
- Received some questions about the possibility of broadcasting the service when Reverend Doug is away. There is some training involved and the church laptop is required.
- Visiting Congregants – Trinity welcomed some visiting congregants from Central United and is very optimistic about receiving more members.
- Trinity can reinstate anyone who has lost or currently does not have a membership with another church.
- Clothing Collection Bins – Murray stated that people have been getting into the collection bins going through the bags of clothing, etc. taking items and leaving the bags and contents strewn all over. Reverend Doug will contact the National Diabetes Trust to let them know and see if the bin can be changed or secured.

8.0 Committee Updates –

- 8.1 Pastoral Care Report** (Darlynn Smith) – Reverend Doug requested that the electronic copy of Historic Roll be kept in the Church Office.

Motion 3: Moved by Darlynn Smith that the Board approve the Pastoral Care Report. Alan Silvius seconded the motion.

CARRIED

- 8.2 Worship Committee** (Alan Silvius) – Alan noted that the Pulpit Supply and the FundScrip update are agenda items and will be discussed later on.

Motion 4: Moved by Alan Silvius that the Board approve the Worship Committee Report. Darlynn Smith seconded the motion.

CARRIED

- 8.3 Equity & Diversity Report** (Al Friesen) – Al noted that the discussion at the last Equity & Diversity Committee on T-shirts for the church’s 60th anniversary. Darlene will form a small 60th Anniversary Committee that will co-ordinate getting the t-shirts made, ordering the pens, etc.

Motion 5: Moved by Al Friesen that the Board approve the Equity & Diversity Report. Alison Murray seconded the motion.

CARRIED

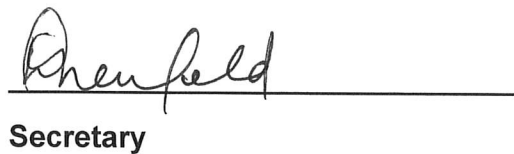
9.0 Additions to Agenda:

- 9.1 Expectations for individuals attending worship and for ushers** (Jason Splett) –The Board agreed to keep mask wearing protocol for all congregants until further notice.

- 9.2 Policy Binder update** (Jason Splett) – Jason thanked everyone for their work on the Policy Binder and the Organizational Structure updates. Changes have been made and will be distributed to the Board. Jason will be sending an invitation shortly for an optional meeting in a couple of weeks to discuss the updates.
- 9.3 Organizational Structure update** (Jason Splett) – Discussed earlier.
- 9.4 FundScrip update** (Alan Silvius) – There is currently a gift card fundraiser for May. The deadline for orders will be May 31st. There are still some Sobey's gift cards left. A fundraiser for July will be organized.
- 9.5 Central United's Grand Piano** (Alan Silvius) – The grand piano is no longer available.
- 9.6 Pulpit Supply Needs for Summer** (Alan Silvius) – There are still 5 dates that still require pulpit supply. The Board suggested some ideas that Alan will take to the Worship Committee.
- 9.7 Input regarding the outdoor signage** (Jason Splett) – Al suggested the Equity & Diversity Committee discuss in more detail at their next meeting. There was discussion on possibly adjust the sign by putting something above it.
- 9.8 Rentals** (Barry Hill) – All rental agreements have been completed. A policy & rental agreement will be added for 'For Profit' groups or groups that are not 'Non-Profit'.
- As landlords the church should have copies of proof of insurance policies for all tenants.
 - Gloria has received the new insurance policy which has increased from last year to \$8,837.00. Will be sending an email to the Board to vote on the policy increase.
 - Barry Hill is not a member of the church and only members are allowed to be a Board member. The Board is aware of this and is working on the Organizational Policies to ensure congregants who wish to become members are given the opportunity. It was also discussed that a Sunday in September to have a ceremony to welcome new members and for any congregants who wish to become full members.
 - It was also suggested that Rev. Doug lead confirmation classes in the future.

10.0 Covenant of Leadership and Closing Prayer – Jason recited our closing prayer and adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m. **Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 14th, 2022.**


Chair of Trinity United Church Board


Secretary