

BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MEETING: No. 4 - 2020 – 2021

DATE & LOCATION: Jan 20th, 2020 7:00 pm held virtually on zoom

PURPOSE: To carry out the business of BCUC Church Board

CHAIR: John MacFarlane.

PRESENT:

Rev. Lorrie Lowes	Norm Pound
Jordan Berard	Rev. Kim Vidal
Ellen Boynton	David Stafford
Bill Johnson	Will Wightman

GUESTS: Susan Young

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, Feb 17th, 2021

1. **Opening Remarks** Chair

2. **Devotions.** David

3. **Accepting of Corresponding Members** Chair

David made a motion to accept Susan as a corresponding member, Jordan seconded, approved.

4. **Approval of Agenda** Chair

David made a motion to approve agenda, Ellen seconded. Approved.

5. **Approval of Minutes – Dec 16th, 2020** Chair

Jordan made a motion to approve minutes, Bill J. seconded. Approved.

6. **Standing Reports**

6.1. **Neville's Letter (estimate attached)** Chair

The furnace is not working and it is not able to be fixed. Neville had sent an e-mail discussing options and suggested we wait until the spring to see which option we'll move forward with. It was suggested that Ellen contact Neville and Ross and tell them that if the furnace needs to be repaired soon we'd support that otherwise we should follow Neville's advice and wait till spring.

David made a motion to take Neville's advice and wait till Spring. Seconded by Norm. Approved.

6.2. **Ministers' Report (attached)** Rev. Kim/ Rev. Lorrie
Membership update

Rev. Kim made a motion to remove Doreen Pope from the historic roll due to death. David seconded. Approved.

6.3. **Finance Report (attached proposed revenues and expenses)** Bill

The Jan 17th version which was sent out of the financial report is up-to-date. (attached) It was mentioned that the M&P directed fund would need a separate line item in the report.

As mentioned in Dec, it was agreed to present the 2021 M&P budget to the congregation at the AGM.

The financial report was received.

6.4. **M&P (attached)** David

David presented the report with recommendations listed:

- The M&P Committee recommends a budget for 2021 of \$275,000 to cover all expenses.
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- The M&P Committee recommends pursuing a Summer Student Grant and searching for a suitable candidate for the summer period May through August 2021.
- The M&P Committee recommend the addition of at least two new members to begin as soon as possible.

Norm moved that we accept the 3 recommendations listed. David Seconded. Approved.

6.5. Worship Commission Report (attached)

David moved that the Commission's report be received, and their mandate be renewed for the next month. Ellen Seconded. Approved. There was some discussion of suggestions, laws and orders.

7. New Business

7.1. Stewardship 2021 Campaign (attached items).

Rev. Kim/Ellen

63 letters will be sent out, everything else will be sent out electronically. There should be parts of this put up on the website. Ellen will reach out to Connie D.

7.2. Building reopening files (covid-insurance-faq)

Chair

7.3. United Church focus group (e-mail from EDGE)

Ellen

Ellen will send on the Edge e-mails to the board.

7.4. Nominations

Ellen

Ellen needs to know if people are staying on the board. Please reach out to Ellen directly about any changes.

8. Other Business

8.1. Devotions: for Wednesday, Feb 17th, 2021

Chair

Rev. Kim volunteered to do devotions

9. Next Meetings:

Chair

9.1. Regular Board Meeting – Wednesday, Feb 17th, 2021.

10. Closing Prayer

Rev. Lorrie