

## BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**MEETING:** No. 1 - 2021 – 2022

**DATE & LOCATION:** March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 - 7:00 pm held virtually on Zoom

**PURPOSE:** To carry out the business of BCUC Church

Board **CHAIR:** Jordan Berard

**PRESENT:**

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

**GUESTS:**

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021

**1. Opening Remarks** Chair

Jordan welcomed the new Board to our first meeting since being nominated at the AGM. Susan Young was thanked for joining as a member-at-large.

**2. Devotions** Ellen  
“The life of St. Patrick”

**3. Accepting of Corresponding Members** Chair

There were no corresponding members in attendance.

**4. Approval of Agenda** Chair

Ellen made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, Susan seconded. Approved.

**5. Approval of Minutes – February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021** Chair

Norm made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, Ellen seconded. Approved.  
The Board was reminded that Ministers are not able to make or second motions at meetings, nor can they vote.

**6. Standing Reports**

**6.1. Ministers’ Report (attached)** Rev. Kim/ Rev. Lowes

The Ministers’ Report was received.

**6.1.1. Baptism Motion.** Ellen

Ellen moved that the Board approve the emergency baptismal request of Mark McDonald in a modified ritual, in-person or virtually, with the clergy, the baptism and other participants complying with the health protocols set by the BCUC Worship Commission. Seconded by Norm. Approved.

**6.2. Finance Report (attached)** Bill

Bill gave an overview of the January and February finances.  
The 2021 operating budget was approved at the AGM on March 7, 2021.

Bill made a motion to accept the Finance Report, Will seconded. Approved.

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

A motion to receive the M&P report was made by Norm, seconded by Ellen. Approved.

6.4. **Worship Commission Report (attached)** Sue

6.4.1. **Receive Report.** The Worship Commission Report was received.

6.4.2. **Renew Mandate**

Susan moved that the Commission's mandate be renewed for the next month.  
Bill seconded. Approved.

6.5. **Historic Roll, Nominations Update** Ellen

Ellen moved that Vernon Sulway be removed from the historic roll due to his passing on February 23, 2021.  
Seconded by Will. Approved.

7. **New Business** Chair

7.1. **AGM Follow-up** Chair

The March 7<sup>th</sup> AGM on Zoom was discussed. The AGM was successful and well-attended (41 members).  
All feedback has been positive.

7.2. **Board Projects – 2021** Chair

The Board will return to the process of updating policies that are listed on the BCUC website. Many are quite old. The project had been started before the pandemic, but was put on hold. Several committees have sent revised policies and the Board will begin to work through and approve them.

8. **Other Business**

8.1. **Devotions:** for Wednesday, April 21st, 2021 Chair

Susan agreed to do the devotions in April.

9. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 Chair

10. **Closing Prayer** Rev. Lowes