



HURON SHORES UNITED CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Huron Shores United Church
Thursday December 20, 2018 – 4:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Council Chair, Debra Gill; quorum was present.

The meeting convened at 4:00 pm.

Present:

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| 1. Debra Gill: Council Chair, Construction Working Group | 8. Blanche Savage: Affirming Team |
| 2. Rev. Dr. Kate Crawford: Minister | 9. Charles MacDonald: Ministry and Personnel |
| 3. Christine Bregman: Recording Secretary | 10. Virginia Scott: Christian Development |
| 4. Bryan Beattie: Finance Team | 11. Janice Sinker: Presbytery Rep. |
| 5. Wilma Harris: Worship Team | 12. Ken Eagleson: Presbytery Rep. |
| 6. Peter Challen: Property Management Team | 13. Ruth Eagleson: Presbytery Rep. |
| 7. Bob Illman: Trustees | 14. Lynn Desjardine, Fun & Fellowship Team |
| | 15. Mary McFadden: Office Administrator |

VISITOR: Debbie Procter

AGENDA

1. **Acknowledgement of Indigenous Territory Statement**
Council read the statement aloud.
2. **Opening Prayer**
Rev. Dr. Kate Crawford opened the meeting with prayer.
3. **Approval of October 18, 2018 Minutes**

Motion: That the minutes of the November 15, 2018 Council meeting be approved as amended.
Moved. Seconded. Discussed. Carried.
4. **DRAFT Budget Review**
Finance Team chair, Bryan Beattie, presented a draft 2019 budget. The budget will be finalized prior to the Annual Congregational Meeting.
5. **Council's Response to the Gretta Vosper Situation**

Discussion: Kate met with a 19-member group to present her involvement in the Gretta Vosper hearing. The group expressed dissatisfaction with the outcome of the hearing process with respect to Gretta Vosper's atheist stance and asked that Council respond on behalf of the congregation to the United Church of Canada (UCC). Kate outlined ways the HSUC congregation could expressed their opinion to the UCC.

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Motion: That Huron Shores United Church (HSUC) respond to the decision regarding Gretta Vosper made by the Toronto Conference by opening a discussion with the HSUC congregation to formulate a response and report back to Council. Moved. Seconded. Discussed. Carried.

6. Event Planning for 2019

Debra Gill will be the Fundraising Working Group Coordinator for 2019 and she is forecasting \$25,000-\$30,000 in revenue for HSUC. Fall 2018 events have provided much learning. The following event planning tools and processes were discussed:

- Event coordinator package has been created, including an event coordination checklist and deposit forms. The congregation will be informed about the easy process of coordinating an event.
- The Communications Working Group will be invited to establish a routine for promoting events.
- The Fundraising Working Group Coordinator will vet events and submit them to the Financial Team for approval based on financial risk; and, will make event recommendations to Council. Three events will be recommended at the January 2019 Council meeting.
- A Fundraising Working Group Coordinator terms of reference and job description will be developed and brought to the January Council meeting for approval.
- The HSUC website calendar will be the primary location for showing venue bookings.
- Fundraising Proposal: Sherwood Eddy will be invited to follow the procedure for vetting as above.

7. Concert Hall Decision Making

A long-term plan needs to be developed for the concert hall and its revenue potential. Bob Illman will convene a meeting with a group of past HSUC concert coordinators and an Aeolian Hall representative to learn concert production best practices.

8. Round Table

Worship

Motion: Because we are uncertain about the future use of the organ, it was moved that council make re-voicing and hooking up of the organ a priority so that the congregation can experience the organ's sound in the new space. Moved. Seconded. Discussed. Carried.

Motion: That the previous motion be rescinded. Moved. Seconded. Discussed. Carried.

Motion: That Council form a working group to investigate the viability and desirability of retaining the organ in the worship space. The working group would include the Worship Team Chair, Minister, Music Director, a member from the Concert Series Team, and two congregational representatives. It is understood that the working group will communicate with the congregation about the organ's history, and will seek opinions of congregants to inform the working group's recommendation to Council. Moved. Seconded. Discussed. Carried.

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Construction Working Group

Motion: That we proceed, in January 2019, with the ceiling, lighting, triple-sink, and exhaust fan for the kitchen to be paid from the designated Kitchen Fund. Moved. Seconded. Discussed. Carried.

Motion: That we proceed with the stainless steel kitchen island, which will help gain kitchen occupancy, as funds allow. Moved. Seconded. Discussed. Carried.

Administration

Mary McFadden and Charles MacDonald are working on an organizational chart to present to Council.

Property Management Team

Motion: That Debbie Procter be nominated as co-chair of the Property Management Team. Moved. Seconded. Discussed. Carried

Facility Usage

Report Correction: Concert Hall guidelines are not complete.

Ministry and Personnel Team

Motion: That Council support the existence of a Community Wellness Working Group, which includes the chair of the Ministry and Personnel Team, chair of Council, the Minister, and a member at large. Moved. Seconded Discussed. Carried.

Motion: That Council move \$10,000 from the grant received from the UCC New Ministries Fund to the building fund for kitchen expenditures. Moved. Seconded. Discussed. Carried.

Motion: That Council move \$3,000 from the grant received from the UCC New Ministries Fund to the operating Office budget to offset marketing printing, supplies and administration costs associated with the Community Wellness project. Moved. Seconded. Discussed. Carried.

Motion: That Council approve in principal, the draft contract for a Community Wellness Coordinator. Tabled.

9. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.
10. The next meeting will be held on January 17, 2019 at 4:00 PM.

Debra Gill, Council Chair

Christine Bregman, Recording Secretary