

St. Paul's United Church, Orillia
Leadership Team Minutes
Wednesday February 9, 2022
via Zoom

Attending: Ted Reeve (Minister); Chris Atkinson (Secretary); Harvey Watt; Gloria Tozek; Eric Sayle (Chair); Fred Kallin Regrets: Kathy Duncan; Mary Phelps; Peggy Goddard

Welcome: Eric welcomed everyone and acknowledged Mary Phelps' regrets. He will chair the meeting.

Approval of Minutes from the January 12th, 2022 meeting:

**Motion: To approve Minutes from January 12, 2022 as submitted.
Approved by Harvey Watt and seconded by Fred Kallin. Carried.**

Treasurer's Report:

The attached proposed Budget is to be approved by the Leadership Team and then inserted into the Annual General Report. The Balance Sheet December 31, 2021 showed a positive account balance.

St. Paul's Actual Budget: There was a projected deficit of \$30,000 but with last year's Grants and Subsidies the updated deficit is \$12,392. Hope for optimistic outlook with an increase in rental. It was asked if the cost of replacing the Peter St. door had been added to the final amount. Eric will ask and find out and let everyone know. The Ramp It Up campaign is standing at \$85,000+. Mary and Doug Daley applied for an Ont. Hydro Grant (\$25,000) on St. Paul's behalf. They included the ramp, Peter St door, and the stairs on the east side of atrium. There will be a 2-3 week period before there is a response to our application. Mission & Service - \$29,000 was raised by St. Paul's.

**Motion to accept proposed budget to be voted on at the AGM:
Approved by Fred Kallin and seconded by Harvey Watt. Carried.**

Reports:

Worship Committee:

info on Reopening: St. Paul's Church and Offices to reopen on February 7, 2022 with in- person services to commence on February 12, 2022. The services will continue to be live streamed.

AGM (Mar. 6th): Will zoom be available as it was last year? Should it be made available as many are still uncomfortable with joining live at the church. Mary will check with Rick re: is it possible to connect with people on live stream, via YouTube or do we need to do it via zoom. Annual Report will be available two weeks prior to AGM. This year's Report is mainly pictures and with some written reports.

Ted: Pastoral concerns keeping him busy. It was suggested that a calendar with dates that Ted will be away plus more information re: the reasons. Ted will draft communication will run it by Cathy Brown.

Youth: Gloria reported that a Zoom meeting was held last Thursday with 4 Moms of families within the Youth Group. The following comments were made:

- they and their children are missing being in Church!
- They miss the people - intergenerational connections are a joy for all members of

the family.

- They miss the music, drama opportunities and being in Church :)
- several offerings to help Becky
- another meeting this Thursday February 10th at 7:30 pm. .
- Gloria was pleased with the desire for intergenerational connection, that it was valued; parents wanting support to thinking re: religious, Christian education for today's topics.
- Finding resource person? Pt? Not addressed at this time.
- Meeting via zoom Thursday – discussing Mardi Gras, Coldest Night.
- Looking at introducing: Gardening, cooking together, preserve making

Nominations: Eric

A meeting will be held and will include a discussion/conversation on the value of having *both* the Greeters and the Welcome Table. The Welcome Table Team needs to re-look at how it fits with the greeter's mandate. The Welcome team hosted two dinners welcoming new people. Fortunately, there doesn't seem to be a problem having people fill welcoming spots; Ted confirmed that it helped with acknowledging visitors when a Welcoming Team member advised him. Organization needs to be more consistent in our approach. Co-ordinate with Maureen (head of greeters). The Nomination Team will be calling to see who is willing to continue standing in the positions they are already in or if they might step up to another position. At this time, we know that Rachael will step down as Worship chair.

Ramp it Up: Harvey was asked if there were any updates on drawings and quotes.

The Ramp It Up team is waiting for updates from Brennan Construction. Don Atkinson will contact the Architect next week to get final update. There will be a Meeting of the Ramp It Up team in March (early).

Response from Blair Bailey re: Musical fundraiser: Chris

Due to COVID protocols, etc., Blair is not comfortable until at least 2023 to produce another musical. It must be noted that Blair does this entirely on his own time and it is not part of his contract with St. Paul's.

New Business: Fred Kallin assured everyone that the temperature test within the Church was still on the agenda. He is hoping to do it late February. This information will help Improve the energy efficiency of the church.

Next Meeting: Wednesday March 2,2022. At 4:00 pm

: Location: zoom

Adjournment: Harvey

Chair: _____

Secretary: _____

Date Approved: _____