

St. Paul's United Church Orillia
Minutes
February 21, 2024

Attending: Ted Reeve (Minister); Chris Atkinson (Secretary); Craig Maltby (Treasurer); Fred Kallin; Harvey Watt; Mary Johnston

Regrets: Gloria Tozek (Chair); Mary Phelps

Welcome: Opening prayer: Karen Hillfman Millson passed this afternoon. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

1. Review of January 10, 2024 Minutes.

January 10, 2024 Minutes approved by Harvey Watt and seconded by Fred Kallin.

2. Treasurer's Report:

- a. Kudos to the many people who stepped up and helped financially through Hospitality, fundraising, special events.

Report accepted as reported.

3. Committee Updates:

- a. Friday Night Pub: 85+ attendees, net about \$1400. Successful.
- b. Eco Justice: committed to moving ahead with a Community Fridge at St. Paul's. There is a time line in place – Linda Daley and Louise Thompson have stepped up to take this project forward. Funding? Community project – The Brick is donating the fridge; Home Hardware is donating the wood to build the enclosure; community groups to check daily and restock. Food – from Sharing Place; Health and Safety to sign off on and provide rules of operation.
- c. Building Operations: Roy Menagh. Asking Lakehead to donate blinds for the Great Hall.
- d. Possible Policy question re: signage on the outside of the building. Roots North would like to put a sign up like "The Music Man" signage. Operations is discussing this. Policy recommendation around advertising on the building may be brought to Leadership.

Concerns that we are not advertising the existence of St. Paul's United Church and the services being offered. Ask Joe for poster advertising the

hours of church services and upcoming Sunday morning events. LD Lights are not allowed on the exterior of the building as per Orillia By-Laws. Therefore an electrical sign on the side of the building is not an option. Fred to discuss the idea with Joe.

- 4. Draft Budget for 2024:
 - a. Highlights: Budget deficit \$8,451
 - b. Music Man revenue - \$36,400
 - c. Personnel – decreased by \$3000 to reflect some improved cost estimates for the sabbatical.
 - d. Rental revenue decreased by \$10,000 – proposed rentals to Lakehead- not finalized. Roy Menagh is still negotiating with Lakehead.
 - e. Trustee revenue increased by \$4000 as a surplus exists in these accounts.

Motion to accept the 2024 budget by Fred Kallin and seconded by Mary Johnston. Carried.

- 5. AGM March 3, 2024: Lunch is to be held before AGM downstairs in Banquet Hall,
- 6. Next Next Wave: Commissioned all of the appreciative enquiry work. 6 or 7 recommendations. Crystal Dolliver and Jody Maltby will be writing up a report in the near future. 10 years ago – seen as a Program Church (variety of different programs) evolved into more of a Family Church. What does that mean in terms of governance and programs? Are there new ways to promote various programs? Proposing a meeting of Leadership Team and other people (core 20 people) to meet at Mary Phelps place to discuss the future journey. Date to be announced. See changes in both governance and programs.
- 7. Next Meeting: To be announced @ 4:30pm in the Parlour.
- 8. Adjournment: - Harvey Watt

Date Approved: _____

Chair, Gloria Tozek: _____

Secretary, Chris Atkinson: _____