

APPROVED
St. Paul's United Church Orillia
Leadership Team Minutes
Wednesday, May 4, 2022

Attending: Mary Phelps (Chair); Ted Reeves (Minister); Chris Atkinson (Secretary); Erick Sayle; Fred Kallin; Peggy Goddard; Mary Johnston; Harvey Watt

Regrets: Kathy Duncan

Welcome: Mary welcomed everyone.

Minutes April 6, 2022:

Motion: to approve Minutes from April 6, 2022. Approved by Harvey Watt and seconded by Peggy Goddard. Carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Bozendorfer grand piano - will our current insurance cover it? Eric Sayle will follow up with Jack Allen.

Faye Hunter additional signing authority.

Motion: Moved by Peggy to approve that Faye Hunter will have designated signing authority at TD bank, seconded by Eric Sayle

Ted: Updates:

MacDonald Hall Yamaha piano – Mary Lou Meyers didn't think it was culturally appropriate. Other options were discussed ie moving it to Memorial Hall; or sell it. Blair to be involved with the decision.

Regional Council – Real estate on properties owned by United Church no longer being used. Especially in the downtown area Toronto involving property development; Toronto regional council owns Regent Park and is looking at options. More information on how this will impact Orillia and the various options that are available within the Orillia area is needed.

Lance Anderson/Bozendorfer Concert: deferred to Sept. 10th, 2022 evening. A small committee (Harvey, Gloria, Mary) formed to work out details. Half of artists have recommitted to new date. This will be a good venue for Introducing the learning commons area. As we are providing a bar folks with smart serve are required. Harvey, Chris, Gloria, Jay & Fred Fallis, Jody, and others will be approached.

Committee Updates:

Stewardship: Silent Auction redesignated to Yard Sale in Memorial Hall, Saturday, June 25th with set up on June 24th. Joe Watt chairing this endeavour. Requests for larger items needs to be communicated to congregation: eg. Week or weekend at a cottage; Ted's laneway house in Toronto. It was suggested that a possible tea room be included.

Strawberry Social – June 26 after church. End of year lunch possible with strawberry shortcake as dessert.

Anniversary Appeal – month of May. Direction of funds: Peter St. doors, replacement carpet on ramp to Memorial Hall, etc. Anna to include information in newsletter. Sunshine Carpet to come in on Friday, May 6 and give an estimate on replacing the ramp carpet. An Anniversary Ladder is to be updated weekly.

Worship: Baptism – Sunday, May 8th, 2022

Summer services: regular services in July; August more musical and social down in banquet hall. Looking for lay people to run it. (poll to be taken via newsletter – congregation interest) Ted on holidays.

Communion: next June 5, 2022

Ramp It Up: Harvey Watt

A Family will be making a major donation towards the ramp by end of year (2022). Finalizing costs using original plans and the east side of the atrium steps has been added. To begin construction early 2023.

Youth: Mary Johnston

Picnic June 26th; possible cupcake sale? Possibly at Regent Park? Further information to come. Possible change in date – June 10? Amalgamate with end of year lunch. Talk to Cathy Marshall and Lois Barringer re selling cupcakes and drinks at yard sale.

Orange ribbons to be replaced around National Indigenous Day.

Youth Ideas: In fall – bring a friend to church day. To be discussed further.

A concert for children interactive – think about

Greening: Fred Kallin

Results of staying at the church overnight and taking readings:

Encourage more energy saving at the church – using an override thermostat
Energy balancing – insulation added over that past few years. Need to close some vents and keep others open especially in winter.

Fred working on a mathematical model for energy retention, and conserving energy - % of value of savings and return on investments.

Calculations for windows –

Valve that controls heating in the Sanctuary does not seem to be working properly so needs to be tested.

Recommendation from greening committee – need to create an instruction manual on how to look after the heating system. Fred willing to help with this.

Problem with circulation pumps was overheating. Old pump had leakage was repaired. John Blackshaw

Other Business:

1. Grant Application to Community Foundation (dishwasher) – no response
2. Yamaha Piano – choir to be consulted as it oversaw fundraising for it in 1988
Mary talked to Blair – original cost \$6000ish; recommends that it be moved to the parlour and the keyboard moved down to memorial hall. Need to have an appraisal done. Approx. value ~ \$4000-7000?
Ask the choir and see how they react. Go from there once we have direction.
3. Truth and Reconciliation: Ted – No update
4. Ukrainian Refugee Process: going ahead, HGR Law Firm. A committee has been struck with members from both HRG and St. Paul's. It needs one more member. Is there a person from LT who would offer to join this group? Peggy asked to join them.
5. Draft Policy re: The Learning Commons Report – Ted
 - a. Co-ordinators – policy within the Spiritual Growth Committee

New Business:

Formal Thank you: Anna for covering Katrina's position for the month of April. Mary will write a card and buy a plant.

Rick for his ongoing AV work. \$2000 honorarium will be activated by Chris Peterson. Eric will talk to Chris P.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday, June 8th, 2022 @ 4:30 pm in Parlour
Peggy to be Zoomed in.

September meeting – Wednesday, September 9th, 2022 @ 4:30 pm in Parlour

Adjournment: Harvey Watt

Chair: Mary Phelps _____

Secretary: Chris Atkinson _____

Date of Approval: _____