

Minutes: ST. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH BOARD
March 31, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. – online – Rockland, Ontario

Welcome and Opening of Meeting: Bill

Chair: Bill **Acting Secretary:** Jacquie

Attendance: Jane, Jacquie, Brian, Ray, Rudy, John, Barb, Hazel, Sue, Bill

Regrets: Nancy, Colette, Marie

Trustee Rep: Hazel

Visitors: none

Motion: to grant visitors to this meeting correspondent status – not required

1. **Meeting called to order** at 7:01 p.m. Opening Prayer: Brian.

2. **Adoption of Agenda:**

Motion: to adopt Agenda. Moved by Jane, seconded by Rudy. Carried

3. **Minutes of previous Board meetings** (Feb.24, 2022, and March 10, 2022) were sent out electronically. No errors or omissions reported.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the Feb.24 and March 10/2022 meetings. Moved by Jacquie, seconded by Ray. Carried.

4. **Business Arising:**

- a. Update on NHSP projects. Jane. The paperwork has been completed, the grant for just over \$15k has been approved, and we're just waiting for the money to be deposited. For each of these projects, the aim is to have 4-5 seniors involved. Bill will set up a team and a convenient time for the building of the air purifier boxes (Corsi-Rosenthal model). Brian will order a second laptop for senior use and deal with an adaptive hearing system for the sanctuary. Barb will order/shop for a new freezer, a kitchen work island, and chafing dishes with fuel. Jane and Rudy will spearhead the acquisition and installation of a SeaCan storage container. The team leaders will prepare a financial account for the sums expended.

5. **Treasurer's Report** – Jane

The March Interim Report was sent in advance by email. It will be completed and reported on once the final bank statements for the month have been received.

Jane discussed the report briefly but there were no questions.

Motion: to accept the Treasurer's Report. Moved by Jane, seconded by Hazel. Carried.

6. Regular Reports:

- a) **Benevolent Fund:** Brian, Barb, Carol – one request responded to. One individual assisted with planning and budgeting help.
- b) **Fellowship:** Barb –written report attached. In addition, Jane has sold some pies and prepared meals. The Palm Sunday Ham Dinner plans are proceeding under Nancy’s leadership.
- c) **Ministry & Personnel:** Rudy – no changes.
- d) **Missions:** Colette – report filed electronically
- e) **Music:** Jacquie – a second piano tuning was required, due to the extreme cold temperatures this winter. The CCLI six-month registry of all hymns used begins April 1. Jacquie will be absent April 10, 24, May 1 and all of July.
- f) **Pangborn Hall:** see Brian’s comments about Full Bellies in his Pastor’s Report
- g) **Pastoral Care Report:** written report attached. Barb added that she recently visited Marjorie (no telephone) and has made arrangements for the Holy Week scriptures and readings to be shared with her by Staff or by Barb. She asked that Board members consider sending a cheery or Easter card to Marjorie.
- h) **Regional Council:** John – attended the winter meeting, but felt nothing discussed at that time needed our attention or action.
- i) **Property Management:** Rudy and Brian have done a great deal of work making the best use of the grant we received for Anti-Hate and Security Initiatives. Rudy’s chart is included as an attachment to these minutes. On another matter, Jacquie asked if Rudy might consider the purchase a Carbon Dioxide monitor to quickly and easily measure the air quality. Permission was granted, and Jacquie will order one, which is about \$120; it can be easily moved from the sanctuary to the hall as desired.
- j) **Social Club:** Jane – the group is happy to be back together, with around 26 having attended last week. Next week, the monthly lunches begin. Everyone is invited.
- k) **Stewardship:** Ray – report submitted electronically. Ray highlighted some of the issues for us, including whether fund-raising might suffer due to increased live-streaming, rather than in-person attendance. The question of Ukraine fund-raising through the United Church was raised – after some discussion, it was determined that offering envelopes with instructions to donate a certain amount to the Ukraine fund could be used, coordinated by Jane. Also Brian will design a website listing various ways to contribute to this cause, and will include a section describing the

Youth With A Mission project, featuring Dacha (sp?).

- l) **Sunday School:** Nancy – no report
- m) **Trustees:** Hazel – no report
- n) **Worship Supplies:** palms have been acquired for Palm Sunday
- o) **Pastor's Report:** Brian – is happy to report that Rockland Manor has invited both Brian and Jacque back for English church services with music and communion starting April 7, with some precautions. There will be no Maundy Thursday this year, but Good Friday services that afternoon will go ahead. Brian attended Full Bellies today and reported things are going very well. About 45 boxes are being distributed each week. Those who participate are often very grateful for the opportunity to feed their families for much less money.

Motion: to accept all regular reports as presented. Moved by John, seconded by Ray. Carried.

7. New Business:

- a) Update on Palm Sunday ham dinner – tickets are being sold. More details will be available when the organizer, Nancy, is feeling better.
8. **Next Meeting** scheduled for Thursday, May 12/22 at 7:00 p.m. online.
9. **Closing Prayer:** Brian
10. **Adjournment:** 8:03 p.m. Moved by Rudy.

Update: out of an abundance of caution, Nancy is postponing the Palm Sunday ham dinner indefinitely. Ticket purchasers will be contacted directly.

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