

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH, VERONA, OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES: November 26, 2018

PRESENT: Sheila Anthony, Diane Revill, Ian Mackay, Rob Tapscot, Jo Ann Fletcher, Margaret Smith, Catherine Oxenford-Grant, Linda Brown, Mary-Anne McNutt, Beatrice Moffitt, John McDougall, Darlene Nicol, Andy Adamson, Jane Adamson, Don Coleman, Glenda Turner, Carl Turner, Jean Clair, Gayle Robertson

Call to order: Sheila Anthony, CHAIR

Devotion: Linda Brown January 28, 2019 meeting will be Glenda Turner

Adoption of the Agenda: moved by :Carl Turner , seconded by:
John Mc Dougall, as amended: **Carried.**

Approval of Monday, September 24 Minutes: Moved by:Diane
Revill, seconded by: Jane Adamson, as amended : **Carried.**

Business arising from the Minutes:

- The Remembrance Day Service went very well. Sheila was thanked on behalf of the Official Board. Ian's piping added so much to the occasion.
- Official Board (Sheila Anthony) will send a letter of thanks to Linda Bates for her excellent job of organizing the event.

REPORTS:

- **Minister's Report:**
 - Two baptisms were held in October.
 - Reverend Catherine spoke at the Lanark UCW meeting and also attended the co-operative Ministries workshop in Portland
- **M&P Report**
 - The M & P Committee has met with the Casement family, and reached an agreement on a job description and contract for Caretaking in 2019
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - Moved by Don Coleman, seconded by John McDougall that the Harrowsmith-Verona Pastoral Charge Year-to-Date Administrative Financial Report as of November 25, 2018, be adopted. **Carried.**
 - H-V Proposed Administrative Budget for 2019, under Supply Minister was amended from \$4000 to \$5000 to keep some leeway for the unexpected. Moved by Don Coleman, seconded by Margaret Smith, that the amended reported be accepted. **Carried.**
- **Property Report**

- Carl Turner reported that a gas detector has been mounted outside the door of the basement because of our switch to a new propane furnace.
- Our outdoor sandwich board has been repaired, which saves the cost of a replacement.
- **Session Report**
 - Diane Revill reported the Ecumenical Remembrance Day Service, held at the Verona Free Methodist Church, went very well.
 - Reverend Ian Mackay has ordered booklets -2019 Bible Reading Guide, from the Canadian Bible Society- free for the taking, already available at the back of our church.
 - Our ministerial team is coordinating well and are now planning the 2019 services schedule.
- **Steward's Report**
 - The annual Apple Pie sale fundraiser made approximately \$980 on 100 pies. Further discussion will take place in the spring in order to streamline production.
 - Trinity Christmas Craft sale netted \$1,304.25 . Grateful thanks go to Jane Adamson and Marni Pedersen for generously donating so much time, even though they are both now Kingston residents.
- **United Church Women**
 - Darlene Nicol reported that the Meet and Greet meeting in Smith Falls was well attended.
- **Trustees Report**
 - John McDougall reported that the rear accessibility ramp needs repairs.
 - The kitchen will be vented to the outside.
 - The crumbling chimney causing the upper bathroom leak,will be taken down
 - Carl Turner reported that work on the new accessibility ramp at the front will begin in spring.
- **Presbytery Report**
 - Both Jane Adamson and Darlene Nicol spoke movingly about their last Four Rivers Presbytery event and the Water Ceremony that represented the attendees shared ministry over the last few years.
 - A representative from our congregation will need to be appointed to the new Region 12,which encompasses a VERY large area.

- **Presbytery Representative Report**
 - Jo- Anne Fletcher reported that Presbytery will be subsumed into Eastern Ontario Outaouais Region 12 on January 01, 2019.
 - Many committee heads have already been appointed and some have begun the work of gathering members. The executive will be chosen at the annual meeting.
 - There will only be one or two face- to -face meetings per year. Much work will be done electronically.

- **New Business**
 - At November 25 Congregational Meeting, a closed vote was taken to offer Reverend Catherine Oxenford –Grant the position of half-time minister of Harrowsmith Verona Pastoral Charge. The vote was affirmative, therefore a call will now go out to Reverend Catherine , position to commence January 01, 2019
 - Linda Brown reported that the Community Bulletin Board is for non-profit items involving Trinity church, and/or our local community. For profit items will be removed.
 - Our Annual Meeting will be held February 10, 2019, committee year-end reports to be handed to Admin. Asst. Rebecca Peters by January 13, 2019, ahead of the meeting.

- **NEXT OFFICIAL BOARD MEETING:** January 28, 2019
Unison Prayer and adjournment
Chair Sheila Anthony Secretary Linda Brown