

# Trinity United Church, Verona Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday February 07,2016

## Minutes

### 1. Constitution of the Meeting:

“In the name of Jesus Christ, the one and only Head of the Church, I call to order this meeting of Trinity United Church congregation for all business that shall rightly come before it.” (John McDougall, Past Chair )

### 2. Opening Prayer: Reverend Patsy Henry

### 3. i) Election of Chairperson Andy Adamson, Vice-Chair John McDougall, Secretary, Linda Brown

ii) Election conducted by Past Chair John McDougall. Moved by Ralph McInnes, seconded by Glenda Turner that these officers be elected for the year 2016. Carried.

iii) New Chair Andy Adamson set the agenda for the February 07 meeting.

### 4. Approval of Agenda: Moved by Millie Cuthill, seconded by Carl Turner .Carried.

### 5. Motion re: Corresponding Members

“That all persons who are not full members of Trinity United Church be made corresponding members for this meeting”. Moved by Andy Adamson, seconded by Jean Clair, Carried.

### 6. Minutes of Previous Annual Meeting: February 15, 2015

7. Moved by Diane Revill, seconded by John McDougall “that all minutes be accepted as written in the 2015 Annual Report “ (Page 23). Carried.

### 8. Business arising from the Minutes

a) Alternate Governance Model: report by Linda Brown. The Church Council model of St. Paul’s United Church was studied by Ralph McInnes, Connie Shibley, Linda Brown and Suzanne Clarke. They advised that our present model at Trinity best suits our needs at this time.

### 9. Correspondence: None

### 10. Pastoral Charge Reports: (pages 3-12 of Annual Report)

a) Minister’s Report (page 3)

b) Baptisms, Marriages, in Memorial, New Members (page 4)

c) Ministry and Personnel Committee Report (page 5)

d) Official Board Report (page 6)

e) Music Director Report (page 7)

f) Christmas Food Hamper Report (page 7)

g) Presbytery Report (Page 8)

h) Joint Worship Committee Report (page 6)

i) Manse Committee Report (page 5)

- j) Harrowsmith-Verona Website Report (page 9)
- k) Harrowsmith-Verona Pastoral Charge Financial Report Operating Budget (page 10)
- l) Harrowsmith-Verona Pastoral Charge Financial Report, Mission and Service, Local Outreach, Computer Fund (page 11)
- m) Harrowsmith-Verona Pastoral Charge Budget for 2016 (page 12)

11. No motion needed. All Pastoral Charge Reports were accepted as written at the Official Board Meeting of January 25, 2016, St. Paul's United Church.

12. Congregational Reports:

- a) Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday February 15, 2015 (pages 23-24)
- b) Stewards Report (page 27)
- c) Session Report :(page 28)
- d) Board of Trustees Report: (page29)
  - i) Bell Tower not yet repaired, but will be addressed in the spring (Carl Turner)
- e) Property Committee: (page 30)
- f) Trinity Card Convenor Report :(page 30) Those who have been in receipt of cards from Present Convenor Kathleen Goodfellow expressed their appreciation.
- g) Funeral Reception Report: (page 31)
- h) Trinity United Church Choir Financial Statement 2015:(page 31) Don Coleman, Treasurer has moved the Choir account to Trinity main church Bank Account, to avoid interest charges.
- i)Trinity Financial Report: Local Expenses, Envelope Givings,Analysis (page 32)
- j) Trinity Financial Report: Mission and Service,Building Fund, Local Outreach, External Charities (page 33)
- k) Trinity Financial Report: Memorial Fund, Stained Glass Windows, Kitchen Fund U.C.W. Sisters in Spirit, Trust Fund (page 34) NOTE: Funeral Reception Monies go to the Kitchen Fund)
- l) Trinity Local Expenses: Income and Expenses and Budget for 2016 (page 35)  
Motion: Don Coleman moved that item (l) be accepted as written. Seconded by Ralph McInnes. Carried.

13. Motion: That all Congregational Reports be accepted as written in the 2015 Annual Report. Moved by Ann McDougall, seconded by Glenda Turner. Carried.

14. Report of the Nominations Committee for 2016 :(pages 25, 26). Acceptance of Report moved by Linda Brown, seconded by Jane Adamson. Carried.
15. Additional Elections:
- a) Congregational Representative to Nominating Committee- John McDougall
  - b) Pastoral Charge Financial Examine (1 from each church) John McDougall
16. Report of the Financial Examiners was accepted at the Official Board Meeting January 25, 2016.
17. New Business:
- a) Thanks to Leona Andrew for her hard work and dedication as Pastoral Charge Secretary. We welcome Julie Smith as our new secretary.
  - b) Financial difficulties at St. Paul's: Motion: Don Coleman moved that we change our Presbytery Allocation from 50/50 with St. Paul's to 55% Trinity, 45% St. Paul's. Seconded Andy Adamson. Much discussion. Motion defeated.
  - c) Manse Required Maintenance Issues preceding re-rental in March, 2016. : Motion by Andy Adamson: "Manse Committee, supported by volunteers, will work through the needed repairs, as outlined in the Manse Inspection Report submitted at the Annual Meeting by Don Coleman and Andy Adamson." Seconded by Suzanne Clarke. Carried.
  - d) Anniversary Sunday will be held at Hay Bay Church (first Methodist Church in Canada) June 12. A picnic will follow on site. (Glenda Turner)
  - e) Official Board will meet on Monday March 07, 7pm at Trinity to discuss the financial concerns of St. Paul's and therefore concerns of the Pastoral Charge.
  - f) UCW. Report by Jane Adamson
  - g) New Steps: The concrete on the steps up to Fellowship Hall is deteriorating. Carl Turner will get an estimate for repairs
  - h) Heating for Fellowship Hall: Our current heating situation is costly. Carl Turner reports that a propane furnace could be installed for a cost of \$4500 by Leonard's. No decision taken. Further discussion needed .
  - i) Motion: Moved by Don Coleman that \$10,279 be transferred from the Memorial Fund to the Stained Glass Window Fund, to eliminate the negative balance in the Window Fund, as all windows have now been paid for. Seconded by Carl Turner. Carried but must also go to Stewards to be ratified.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT: Kathleen Goodfellow

