

Congregational Meeting
Sunday, June 5, 2016
Trinity United Church, Verona

Wayne Harris, Co-Chair, Four Rivers Presbytery Pastoral Relations introduced himself and opened the meeting at 10:25. Moved by Don Coleman and seconded by John McDougall that all adherents and guests be granted corresponding member privileges for this meeting. Carried.

Since the vote on amalgamation will be by ballot, the appointed scrutineers were Ted Brett and Ann McDougall.

Moved by Carl Turner and seconded by Diane Revill that the congregation of Trinity United Church, Verona requests Four Rivers Presbytery give its blessing to its amalgamation with St. Paul's United Church, Harrowsmith, into a single congregation at the Verona church location, with the following short and long-term plans in place:

Short Term:

- Maintain the current name of Trinity United Church and the current pastoral charge name of Harrowsmith-Verona
- Maintain the current governance structure of Trinity United Church and maintain official board and joint committee memberships - any individuals currently serving on St. Paul's council will be welcome to join the committees of Stewards or Session
- Maintain the current joint vision/mission statement.

Long Term: to be worked on in the fall of 2016 with the goal of being finalized by the time of the Annual Meeting to be held in February 2017

- Decide on a name for the amalgamated church
- Decide on a governance model for the amalgamated church
- Create a new vision/mission for the amalgamated church

The vote was unanimous in favour of amalgamation.

Moved by Tracy Irwin and seconded by Doug MacIntyre that the ballots be destroyed. Carried.

Moved by Don Coleman and seconded by Dianne Vickery that the time for the Sunday service with the birth of the new congregation be set at 10:00 AM. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 by Wayne Harris.

Glenda Turner
Substitute Secretary