

**Trinity United Church Committee of Stewards**

Tuesday, October 04, 2016

**Members:** Bonnie Brown, Linda Brown, Don Coleman, Jean Clair, Ian Mackay, Ann McDougall, Marni Pedersen

**Minister:** Rev. Patsy Henry **Chairperson:** Linda Brown **Secretary:** Ann McDougall **Treasurer:** Don Coleman

1) Call to Order: Linda Brown called the meeting to order in the name of Jesus Christ, the one and only Head of the Church.

2) Opening Prayer: Generous and compassionate God, as we gather together we ask for your guidance in our work for this church. Give us grace and wisdom to accept your will as we make our decisions. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

3) Approval of the Agenda – Linda Brown moved the agenda be approved. Seconded by Ann McDougall. Carried.

4) Approval of Minutes – Ann McDougall moved and Bonnie Brown seconded that the minutes of September 06, 2016 be accepted as amended. Carried.

5) Business Arising from the Minutes:

- i) Accessibility Policy – At the Official Board meeting on September 19, 2016 it was agreed that this is will be a priority in the near future.
- ii) Pick-a-Party Update – Ian Mackay reported that the Scotch-on-the-Rocks party was filled up for October 28<sup>th</sup>. He and Jane will also do one for Kingston folks on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- iii) Don Coleman made a motion that we have Peter Barcier go ahead with the cleaning of the Fellowship Hall floor. Seconded by Jean Clair. Carried. There followed a discussion of when it should be done and November 25/26 seemed the best date. Bonnie Brown is the contact person.
- iv) Linda Brown reported that the Apple Pie making went smoothly, with lots of people helping. 102 pies were made and sold.
- v) Don Coleman has posted an Activity Calendar showing groups using the church hall. It is also on the Trinity website.
- vi) Rev. Patsy Henry and Ian Mackay have organized the October 16<sup>th</sup> re-dedication service, with a potluck Fellowship to follow.

vii) We agreed that rather than order more copies of More Voices we should utilize the books we have such as Voices United and Songs of a Gospel People.

viii) Linda Brown and Marni Pedersen will meet to discuss Community Outreach.

ix) Marni Pedersen reported there are 28 vendors for the November Craft Sale. Bonnie Brown and Jean Clair will head up the Bake Table. We will ask the congregation for donations for 8 -10 themed baskets for the draw. Suggestions were: Quilters Basket (Jean), Gardening Basket (Linda), Craft Basket, Women's Spa Day Basket, Dog Lovers Basket, Preserves Basket (Marni), Children's Basket, Men's Basket (Jean) and Handymans/womans Basket. Sign up forms will be at the back of the church.

6. Treasurer's Report: Don Coleman gave the financial report and moved the adoption of it. Seconded by Bonnie Brown. Carried.

7. Counters for October:

i) Oct. 09 – Ian Mackay

ii) Oct. 16 – Nancy Moore-Carr

iii) Oct. 23 – Ann McDougall

iv) Oct. 30 – Linda Brown

8. Maintenance and Renovation: Bonnie Brown reported that 3 boys had been seen on the church roof near the ramp. We will keep an eye out for any more problems.

9. Property Committee: Nothing new to report.

10. New Business:

i) New Brunswick church twinning – Linda Brown will follow through in the New Year. Some ideas were suggested: photos, comparing notes on congregational activities, some First Nations issues, and involving the children.

ii) A one- day Spring retreat will be revisited in the new year.

iii) Don Coleman suggested we rethink rental fees at the AGM in February 2017.

iv) Air conditioning in the Fellowship Hall will be a discussion in Spring 2017. A Costco portable unit was suggested. We could ask the exercise people to help pay.

v) The Fall Harvest clergy dinner on Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> was discussed, and menu presented. There will be room for 60 to attend this fundraiser.

11. Plans for the year Ahead

i) Christmas Hampers – No update at this time.

ii) Winter Breakfasts – We still need some one to help Don Coleman organize the 4 breakfasts. Linda Bates will take on much of the responsibility for cooking.

12. Our next meeting: Tuesday, November 01, 2016.

13. Closing Prayer: Grant O God, that in the quietness of the evening and in the hush of the night, our hearts may be filled with thankfulness for all your blessings.

Secretary: Ann McDougall

Chair: Linda Brown

