

# TRINITY UNITED CHURCH STEWARDS MINUTES

MARCH 7, 2023

Present: Linda Brown, Don Coleman (Treasurer), Marilyn Duffe (Secretary), Dorothy Forbes, Ian Mackay, John McDougall (Chair); Regrets: Jon Miller

1. Call to order and prayer
2. Election: John McDougall volunteered to chair for 2023 and Marilyn Duffe to be Secretary.
3. Linda Brown will be the Stewards representative on the 2024 Nominating Committee
4. Approval of the Agenda Coleman / Forbes Carried
5. Approval / Minutes Feb. 7, 2023 Forbes / Mackay Carried
6. Business arising
  - a. A thankyou letter has been sent to Linda Bates for her leadership with the Wake-Up Breakfasts. Formal letters still have to go to our sponsors and suppliers. Our profit was \$ 1,846.88, which will be placed in the Outreach Budget.
  - b. Motion :That all 2023 staff salaries increase by 3.4% to match that of the United Church minister's salary grid. Coleman / Brown Carried**
  - c. Linda Brown will place an ad announcing our Easter services in the Frontenac News.
- 7. Treasurer's Report Approved-Coleman / Brown Carried**
  - a. The Overall Total still includes the bathroom renovations and the lighting improvements which are not yet invoiced.
  - b. At the Annual Congregational Meeting concern was expressed about the poor performance of our E-L Consolidated Fund. Looking back to 2017, however, the fund has grown each year except 2018 and 2022 for an increase of \$ 4,820.38. The decision was to leave this investment for another year.

- c. The Treasurer will investigate the high bank charges and hydro costs.
8. John McDougall will arrange for the introduction and upkeep of the defibrillator.
9. We had a general discussion about Rev. Catherine's retirement and the wonderful contribution she has made. We need to move ahead now more quickly with our "Road Ahead" and search for a new minister. Don Coleman, Ian Mackay and John McDougall will proceed with the new electronic process of the United Church Hub, which is used to post our "Community of Faith" Profile.
- 10. Motion: That we support up to four Prince Charles Public School students with their Camp Quin-Mo-Lac fees.**
- Coleman / Brown** **Carried**
11. Counters: March 12 Linda Brown; March 19 Marilyn Duffe; March 26 Dorothy Forbes; April 2 John McDougall
12. Next Meeting: April 4, 2023 at 1.30 pm
13. Motion to Adjourn Duffe Carried