WESTWORTH UNITED CHURCH 67th ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: Leslie Rodgers, Paul Chard ,Eunice Pratt, Petra Thanisch, Cheryl McNabb Davis, Gerald Davis, Ron Bailey, Diane Riordan, Nancy Doern-White, Carol Wilkie, Jim Pigden, Elaine Pigden, Keith Love, Anne Love, Bettina Nyman, George Nyman, Ray McClelland, Larry Strachan, Douglas MacEwan, Walter Oblinski, Peter Sim, Maureen Lelond, Bruce Tefft, Diether Peschken, Florence Van Dijk, Lee-Ann Blasé, Joyce Gould, Earl Gould, Morag Bergthorson, Brett Lougheed, Denise Jones, Norm Snyder, Wendy Martin-White, Ed White, Gordon Toombs, Laurelle Murdoch, Florence Baker, Shirley Ann Simkulak, Carol Hunter, Jennifer Snyder, Barbara Wynes, Janet Sealey, Taekyu Lee, Heain Choi, Arlene Hintsa, Kathy Wilson, Merle McTaggart, Dianne Sjoberg, Dave Sjoberg, Nancy Williamson, Bob Johnston, Carol Galbraith, Paul Galbraith, Allan McKay, Marion McKay, Kent Magarrell, Barb Magarrell, Dorcas Windsor, Kirk Windsor, Eleanor Geib, Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd, Jenny Jeffers, Alma Acheson

- 1. **INTRODUCTION:** Norm Snyder opened the meeting at 11:26 and welcomed those in attendance.
- 2. **OPENING PRAYER:** By Eleanor Geib.
- 3. MOTION REGARDING VOTING:

MOTION: That all members and adherents in attendance shall have voting privileges at

this Annual Meeting.

Moved by: Bruce Tefft Seconded by: Gerald Davis

CARRIED

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

MOTION: That the agenda be approved as amended with the addition of the item

Covenanting of the Leadership Teams.

Moved by: Keith Love **Seconded by:** Nancy Doern-White

CARRIED

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE 66th ANNUAL MEETING March 19,2017 (Pages 830-833) and Congregational Meeting of December 3, 2017 (Pages 837-839)

MOTION: That the minutes of the 66th Annual meeting held on March 19, 2017 be approved and that the minutes of the Congregational Meeting held on December 3, 2017 be approved as distributed.

Moved by: Bruce Tefft Seconded by: Cheryl McNabb Davis

CARRIED

6. APPROVAL OF WRITTEN REPORTS:

The reports were dealt with in groups.

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Report: a. Minister and Chair	Page: 13 14-15	Prepared by: Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd Norm Snyder
b. Archives	16	Diane Riordan and Bob Johnston
Christian Education Communication To Edge Ad-Hoc Com Fellowship team Governance Ad-Ho Membership Team Ministry and Perso Outreach Team Pastoral Care Team Presbytery Reps Property Team Trustees WorshipTeam	eam 19 Imittee 19 Coc Committee 21 Connel Committee 22 23-25	Dianne Sjoberg Peter Sim Shirley Watts Judy Brown Gerald Davis Dorothy Reid Paul Chard Ruth Wiwchar Nancy Doern-White and Barb Gwyer Dorcas & Kirk Windsor Spencer Newton Kent Magarrell Petra Thanisch

MOTION: That the reports under sections a) and b) above be approved as presented.

Moved by: Paul Chard Seconded by: Keith Love

CARRIED

c. UCW Report 32 Nancy Doern-White

MOTION: That the UCW report be accepted as presented.

Moved by: Nancy Doern-White Seconded by: Barb Magarrell

CARRIED

d.	Roll Clerk & Registry Notes	33	Heather Lavery
	Passages & Memorial Donations	34	Heather Lavery
	Children's Fund	35	Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd
	Faith & Future Fund	35	David Lewis
	Special Appeals Fund	36	Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd
	Prayer Shawl Group	36	Barbara Magarrell

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MOTION: That the reports listed above in section d) be approved as presented.

Moved by: Larry Strachan Seconded by: Kent Magarrell

CARRIED

e. Finance and Stewardship 39 Cheryl McNabb Davis

Staff Costs 39 Jenny Jeffers Financial Review 38 Lynne McCarthy

MOTION: That the report of Finance and Stewardship Committee be approved with a correction to the second paragraph that this is a deficit budget but with a surplus from last year there should be no issues.

Moved by: Larry Strachan Seconded by: Gerald Davis

CARRIED

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES Of previous meetings:

None raised

8. BUDGET FOR 2018: 40-44

Cheryl McNabb Davis presented the budget as included in the Annual Report.

MOTION: That the budget for 2018-2019 be approved as distributed. **Moved by:** Cheryl McNabb Davis **Seconded by:** Kirk Windsor

CARRIED

There were a few questions and thoughts relating to the Stewardship Campaign. Clarification was given that the M&S givings are still separated out. There was a positive comment about how much the M&S givings have increased from several years ago.

9. OTHER BUSINESS:

Remarks from the Chair:

-Norm Snyder reported on what Council has been working on and the steps for the future. He spoke about the positives that are occurring (increased numbers in Sunday School, new and innovative programs, new people working on committees). He encouraged everyone to study the reports submitted for the Annual Report to see all the efforts being put forward. He also talked about the steps that are still being worked on regarding our Vision and the future of our church. He mentioned that our church has many strengths and that we need to pursue opportunities with other churches and with the community around us. He acknowledged that we have not yet managed to have the Focus Groups mentioned in December but that this is still planned. He stressed that the new Council structure is still being worked on, but a major finding has been that

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communication is critical. He thanked all the members of the Council for the hard work and for what they have accomplished.

- -Dieter Pieschken raised a question about declining membership and suggested that this should be discussed by the congregation.
- -Norm Snyder responded stating our congregation is actually one of the larger and stronger in the city, but this could certainly be dealt with in Focus Groups. We had a slight increase in membership this past year.

10. LEADERSHIP TEAMS 2018:

- a) Last year there was the decision to institute the new Governance model on a trial basis. Council recommends that we continue this new Governance model for an additional year on a trial basis.
- b) The Governance Team has been working on revising our manual to accommodate this new structure and it is almost ready for presentation.
- c) There is no longer a Nominating Committee, so Team Leaders have been tasked with finding their replacements if they were not continuing as Team Leader. The Team Leaders find their own team members for both permanent membership on the committee as well as people to work on individual projects.
- d) Announcement of the new Community Care Leadership Team which is an amalgamation of Pastoral Care, Membership, and Fellowship Teams.
- e) Cheryl McNabb Davis announced a correction in that there is a vacancy for Faith and Future Fund Team.

MOTION: That the proposed slate of officers be approved as corrected.

Moved by: Ron Bailey

Seconded by: Gerald Davis

CARRIED

- a) Marion McKay commented that the team members should be listed under the teams and expressed concern about the workload of the Community Care Team.
- b) Norm Snyder expressed his thanks to all Council members, Leadership Team Leaders and to Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd.
- c) Eunice Pratt gave her comments as incoming Chair, asking congregants to give their suggestions and ask questions of any Council Members. She also spoke about the strengths of the congregation and the Governance team. She spoke about 4 things she hopes we can address over the coming year:

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- Continue to actively engage with other congregations about shared activities, services, and initiatives.
- Continue to look at options for our building and the ramification of these options
- Continue to develop and test out new Governance model, using the new manual as a guide and making note of changes that might better support the work of our congregation
- To be as open and approachable as we can and seek input from others through such things as Focus Groups.

11. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

- a) Paul Chard acknowledged and thanked the staff for their commitment and hard work over the past year. This past year has been challenging and they have risen to the task.
- b) Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd thanked the outgoing Council and Team Leaders as well as those who will be continuing to serve on the new Council.
- **12. MOTION:** That this 66th Annual General Meeting of Westworth United Church be adjourned at 12:30.

Moved by: Marion McKay **Seconded by:** Ron Bailey

CARRIED

13. CLOSING WORSHIP:

Covenanting of new Council and Team Leaders.

The worship service continued with Prayer, Hymn and Benediction

14. Norm Snyder, Chair of the Board	Alma Acheson, Secretary	