

Westworth United Church

Council Meeting 254 Minutes

April 26, 2022 Time: 7:00 pm

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:04

2. Present: Dianne Sjoberg, Chair; Joyce Clouston, Secretary; Ron Bailey, Treasurer; Bruce Tefft; Keith Love; Sharon Stanley, M & P; Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd; Pat Stephenson.

3. Regrets: None

4. Opening prayer and moment for Gerald Davis: Led by Dianne Sjoberg

5. Approval of Agenda:

MOTION:

Moved by: Keith Love

Seconded by: Bruce Tefft

Carried.

6. Approval of Minutes of March 29th, 2022:

MOTION:

Moved by: Joyce Clouston

Seconded by: Sharon Stanley

That the minutes of March 29th be approved as amended to read May 31st under item 3: Important dates.

Carried.

7. Business Arising from Minutes:

8. Correspondence:

An Easter card of gratitude for Westworth's commitment to supporting the Ukrainian people from Sister Carmela & Sisters from the Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate. (Received by Loraine).

9. Ministry Team and Ad Hoc Committee Reports:

a) Affirm (Liaison Dianne): Attached

b) Archives (Liaison Dianne):

c) Chair: Attached

d) Christian Education (Liaison Bruce): Attached

e) Communications (Liaison Joyce):

f) Community Care (Liaison Keith):

g) Finance:

h) Minister: Attached

i) Ministry and Personnel: Nothing to report

k) Music:

l) Outreach (Liaison Bruce): Minutes attached

m)Property (Liaison Keith):

n) Regional Reps: The Prairie to Pine Regional Annual Meeting takes place on [May 6-7, 2022](#). The theme of the meeting is ‘Remembering, Reconnecting, and Revisioning’. The gathering will take place on Zoom on the evening of [Friday May 6](#) and all day [Saturday May 7](#). All are welcome to the annual meeting.

Westworth’s Prairie to Pine representatives, Eunice Pratt and Barbara and Frank Wynes, have registered to attend.

Submitted by Barbara Wynes

o) Safe Reopening Committee: (Liaison Dianne) Attached

p) Trustees: Kent Magarrell: Nothing to report

q) UCW (Liaison Joyce):

r) Visioning (Liaison Dianne):

s) Worship (Liaison Bruce):

MOTION:

That the reports be approved as circulated.

Moved by: Bruce Tefft

Seconded by: Keith Love

Carried

9. Business arising from reports:

a) Affirm (Liaison Dianne): Affirming presented the following motion for our consideration:

that Westworth include the Positive Space poster from [RainbowHealthOntario.ca](#), which includes the text “ ‘ *Positive Space: This is a place where human rights are respected and where lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, two spirit and queer people, and their friends and allies are welcomed and supported,*’ “ and that includes an inverted rainbow triangle, in the Community Bulletin board beside the Little Library.

MOTION:

Moved by: Bruce Tefft

Seconded by: Pat Stephenson.

Carried.

11. Old Business:

a) Email addresses on Website: to be postponed until all required persons have time available.

b) Organizational Chart: Dianne and Loraine to develop a ‘working document’ with Tammy (to be distributed as required).

c) Communication with Westworth Staff: Dianne and Sharon will be working on how to proceed.

d) CE Team Leader:

Shared leadership amongst volunteers;
Shared leadership among staff and volunteer
Review position description PLUS some communication from and with the CE team.
Essential tasks: 1. Minute-taking; 2. Communication; and 3. Taking Turns at Retreats attendance.
Important to request input of the Team Members.

e) CE Fall hire:
CMU student is currently in place and responses are positive.
Advertise one position;
Divide position into two;
That we extend Katie Anderson's current contract until June of 2023 (at 10 hours/week), with the possibility of the contract being extended in hours.

MOTION:

Moved by: Ron Bailey
Carried.

Seconded by: Keith Love

If she accepts, suggest inviting her input.

f) FUNdraising ideas:

Congregants are interested, but there is an element of frustration in wishing to make contributions, but unsure how to proceed at this point, with the presence of COVID in the community.

Action: Dianne to discuss continuation of Safe-Reopening with chair of the committee; other Council members to consider current and future approaches to COVID protocols. Decision to be made in May.

g) Spring Retreat:

Agenda: 1. orientation; and 2. breakouts with Liaison Groups.
Timeline development will serve as a stimulus for Dreams and Plans for 2022-2023.
Katie to be invited, as a staff person.

12. New Business: None

Finance: Raised issue of potential back-up for training on Breeze database. Contingency plan is to be considered.

MOTION:

Moved by: Bruce Tefft

Seconded by Keith Love

That finance approach Jenny Jeffers to consider training for Breeze.
Carried.

Action: Ron Bailey and Sharon Stanley will develop a plan.

13. Other: None

14. Important Dates:

May 14th: Retreat

May 31st: Next Council Meeting

15. Closing Prayer: Led by Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd.

16. Meeting Adjourned: at the initiative of Keith Love at 8:55.

Respectfully Submitted

Approved by

Joyce Clouston

Dianne Sjoberg

Westworth Council Secretary

Council Chair