

POWELL RIVER UNITED CHURCH  
NAVIGATION TEAM MEETING  
NOV. 13, 2019 MINUTES

Attending: Wendy Barker, Del Mansell, Rev. Mary White, Marilyn Davis, Elsie Parsons, Grant Vaughan, Robert Woods

Grant, as chair, called the meeting to order.

Marilynn opened the meeting with a prayer.

The agenda was accepted after amending to add: under new business “a Christmas event for the Navigation Team”.

Email votes: The minutes of the Oct. 9, 2019 Navigation Team meeting were approved.

An application to the Legacy Fund for \$4,500 to purchase a new photocopier was approved.

Business Arising from the Oct. 9, 2019 minutes:

- Video/Movie licensing renewal: we are awaiting a decision about the cost of renewing this license.
- Gift Catalogue & Financial Pie chart: The gift catalogue should be made available and put online as soon as possible. A financial pie chart of where and how our offerings are spent should be done as well.
- Meditation Group: It was decided that the best course of action is to have meditation via social media. 2 meditations have been put on our website.
- Reconfiguring sanctuary pews: Robert sent an email regarding the research of this item.

It was agreed to send this issue to the Affirming Ministry group to pursue, in consultation with Sacred Grounds (Property), as well as identifying other issues for the affirming ministry process.

- Joint Assistance Sponsorship Program: This is a United Church of Canada project to sponsor LGBTQ2A+ refugees from Kenya who are in imminent danger in their home country. Robert gave a brief verbal report. He is still researching the relative costs involved.
- M&P annual staff review: Robert gave a brief report on reviews with Lance Barker, Janitor, and David Richert, music director. Staff reviews for Phyllis Brown, office secretary, and Rev. Mary White, minister, are pending.
- 2020 budget: Wendy presented a first draft budget for review & discussion.

Business arising from Oct. 30, 2019 planning meeting: Tyler is unable to make the scheduled Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> meeting which is now rescheduled to Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### Reports:

- Light of God: Rev. Mary gave a verbal report including advent events.
- Shepherding Resources:
  - Financial Update to Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>: (see attached)  
Moved by Wendy, seconded by Marilyn that the balance remaining in the Harmony Vespers account at Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> be transferred to the general operating account.” Carried
- Loaves & Fishes: The toonie sandwich program will continue into the new year.  
A Christmas dinner is being organized for Mon. Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30 pm.  
New Years Eve, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> will be a potluck at 4:30 pm with a movie to follow.
- Caring & Sharing: Advent night is being organized.

#### Correspondence:

- Art from the Attic – to be posted
- Pacific Mountain Regional Council General Meeting will be held May 7-10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at the Crystal Gardens of the Victoria Convention Centre in Victoria, BC. Passed to Regional Rep.
- Christmas Cheer Committee letter regarding the different ways to donate and support their efforts. To be posted

New Business:

- Recognition: a more formal method of recognizing volunteers is needed. Robert volunteered to research this.
- Summer Day Camp: It was agreed that the finance committee will pursue the finance/funding issues.
- Advent / Christmas Advertising: It was agreed to take out a 1/4 page ad in PR Living subject to an email vote regarding the cost.  
It was agreed that the events in the advertisement will be:
  - White Gift Sunday – Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am
  - Christmas Carolling: Sun. Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm
  - Christmas Pageant – Sun. Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am
  - Longest Night Service – Sat. Dec. 21 @ 6:30 pm
  - Christmas Skating Party Sun. Dec. 22 @ 4 pm
  - Christmas Dinner – Mon. Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30 pm
  - Christmas Eve Service: Tues. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm
  - New Year's Eve Potluck: Tues. Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> at 4:30 pm.
- Everyone Deserves a Smile Project: Rev. Mary gave a verbal report. This will also be announced on Sunday. Bags can be decorated as part of the Advent night decorating party.
- Navigation Team Christmas event: It was agreed that we will go to a restaurant for lunch after our Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Setting the agenda for our next business meeting: Nominating committee report,

Date, Time & Location of next business meeting: Wed., Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
business meeting.

The meeting ended with a prayer by Rev, Mary.