



AGM MINUTES OF
JUBILEE UNITED CHURCH
The United Church of Canada

February 25, 2018
JUBILEE UNITED CHURCH
RUMBLE SITE, BURNABY, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Vision: Together we are Called by God to be One by
Mission: Living Faith - Knowing Love - Voicing Hope
Ministry Priorities: Worship | Belonging | Service | Learning
Values: Honest Respectful Relationships | Joy, Laughter, Fun, Hospitality
Inclusiveness | Adaptability | Worship

- PRESENT:** There were 70 people present.
- OPENING PRAYER** Rev. Graham Brownmiller, Lead Minister, called the meeting to order by prayer at 11:50 am; a quorum was present. During the prayer, Rev. Graham read the names of those in memoriam.
- ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND SECRETARY** **MOTION** that Bill Medland be elected Chair of this Annual Congregational Meeting and that Debra Legge be elected Secretary.
Moved by: Linda Wray **Seconded by:** Ken Martin
CARRIED
- RESPECTFUL COMMUNICATION GUIDELINES** We shared the Respectful Communication Guidelines and agreed to them. We also agreed to hold each other accountable for them.
- MOTION TO EXTEND VOTING PRIVILEGES TO ADHERENTS** As per *The Manual (2016) B.3.7*
MOTION to allow adherents to vote on temporal matters
Moved by: Len Gross **Seconded by:** Helen Martin
CARRIED
- CONSENT AGENDA** Rev. Graham explained a consent agenda is similar to an omnibus motion. After a moment for questions or clarification, the agenda, previous minutes and all reports (other than financial) would be received in one motion.
Rev Graham noted two error on page 3 of the spelling of Elsie Hawkins and Muriel Mackie's names. Two reports were added to the report book from the Expanded Transition Team and the Ministry & Personnel Committee, along with an updated Agenda and Table of Contents
- Having questions and queries responded to the following Motion was made:
MOTION: That the Consent Agenda be accepted.
Moved by: Christina Burge **Seconded by:** John Baird
CARRIED

- i. Approval of Agenda
- ii. Approval of Minutes
 - i. January 15, 2017 Congregational Meeting
 - ii. February 19, 2017 Congregational Meetings
- iii. Annual Reports
 - i. Minister
 - ii. Transitional Council
 - iii. Core Ministry Group: Worship
 - i. Choir & Music
 - iv. Core Ministry Group: Belonging
 - i. FunRaisers
 - ii. Pastoral Care and Visitation
 - iii. United Church Women Financials
 - v. Core Ministry Group: Learning
 - i. Christian Education
 - ii. Adult Education
 - iii. Lenten Lunches
 - vi. Core Ministry Group: Service
 - i. Thrift Shop
 - ii. Community Lunch
 - vii. Statistical Information
 - viii. Contribution Report
 - ix. Trustees
 - x. Expanded Transition Team
 - xi. Ministry & Personnel Committee

NOMINATIONS

Due to the resignation of Carla Wilks as co-chair of the Transitional Council this past fall, and Reine Hitchen as a Trustee, there are two positions to be filled. The Transitional Council has approached the following two people who have allowed their names to stand. Having opened the floor to further nominations, the following were acclaimed:

- Sara Coyne to the Transitional Council for two years (2018-2020)
- Bill Gilpin to the Trustees for two years (2018-2020)

We also confirmed our Presbytery Representatives to Westminster Presbytery: Barb Tunnicliffe and Helen Martin.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Linda Wray presented the 2017 Income and Expense Statements, the Statement of Accounts and the Balance Sheet. We budgeted a \$5,000 deficit in 2017 and ended up with a \$5,800 surplus. A question was asked regarding the donation of Mission & Service money from the UCW and this will be cleared up by the Treasurer with assistance from the Accountant. Len Gross also gave information about the donation of shares to the church. Special thanks were offered to Linda Wray and Kathy Prasad for the hard work of completing this work in our first year of Amalgamation.

MOTION that the 2017 Income and Expense Statements be accepted as presented.

Moved by: Linda Wray **Seconded by:** Glo McArter
CARRIED

2018 BUDGET

Linda Wray presented the 2018 Budget, with a deficit of \$6,977. However, there is no income budgeted from investments which she believes will offset that deficit.

MOTION that the 2018 Budget be accepted as presented.

Moved by: Linda Wray **Seconded by:** Christina Burge
CARRIED

**TRANSITIONAL
COUNCIL
PROGRAM**

The work of the Transitional Council is to help move forward the Vision & Mission of Jubilee United Church. Therefore Bill Medland, as Chair, laid out the state of the congregation. This included recognizing that we still need our offering to cover staff costs before we can consider expanding the team to allow us to include more fully the Ministry Priorities which the board has allocated to the vacant position. Bill explained that historic practice for both founding congregations had been congregational offerings covered the cost of ministry & mission, while fees received for use of facility covered the cost of administration and associated salaries. Over the past few years, these goals have not been met. The Council opened the floor to a conversation which included a reminder and description of our Core Ministry Groups and surveying the congregation on the highlights of 2017 and dreams for 2018.

OTHER BUSINESS

Thanks were offered to the many volunteers who help the congregation fulfill its mission in the world. Special thanks were noted to the members of the Transitional Council, Trustees, Ministry & Personnel Committee and those who have served on the Core Ministry Groups. Thanks were offered to our Minister and Staff..

ADJOURNMENT

Having completed our agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 pm by prayer.

Bill Medland, Chair

Debra Legge, Secretary

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HIGHLIGHTS OF 2017

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| <p>WORSHIP Baptisms Lighting the Christ Candle (Thomas) Family Matters and Sleepover Marcus and music – Christmas Cantata Marie Paul Singing before church one Sunday/month Choir Cantata Marcus, Graham, children and family Life giving/integrated/nourishing/ministry/ challenging “We’re better together – with the two congregations”</p> | <p>BELONGING New babies Meeting new friends New members this year Merging of two sites into one – committees, work of church and fellowships New children and new engagement Getting the two founding congregations together Sussex ground breaking Fellowship and coffee and goodies after Sunday service Pancake breakfast Being here! Good events like celebrating Canada’s anniversary Women’s gathering at restaurant, deeper conversations Custodial change New friends and relationships “I like it like it is” From the kids: Sleepover, paint night, Easter Egg Hunt and Halloween Party Feels more connected, more harmonious, more settled, more stable, welcoming (like we’re moving in the right direction) Lunch after church Not just to grow bigger but to grow deeper</p> |
| <p>LEARNING Dream of increase start of Sunday School Bible studies – Brian and Dorothy</p> | <p>SERVICE Fun Raising dinners Black and Bling Thrift Shop</p> |

DREAMS

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| <p>WORSHIP Pastoral care phone calls and visits (regularly – 2 times per week) especially when we notice people away Part-time ministry staff Old hymns please More musicians</p> | <p>BELONGING Make a difference in community and being better known Unknowns – monitor and adapt, be flexible Uncertainty of fragmentation of new community when new building – but hopeful community will work this out together as a “family” Need clearer lines of communication/ areas of responsibilities Young families needed for the future of the church More food Intergenerational growth picnic? More mens gatherings More Family Matters events See L’Arche more involved and participating Family camp & others invited to join as well Free Library (Debra)</p> |
| <p>LEARNING More promotion needed – more family programs Grow church and Sunday School – with younger adults and families Christian Education continuing education site – speakers and workshops Weekly evening bible study Guest speakers – Mental Health workshops</p> | <p>SERVICE More people needed Financials and people self sufficiency CMGs Learning & Service up and running – more participation with other CMGs Improved communication More “Do-ers”! New Jubilee directory Support for seniors and senior engagement (age 80 plus) Expanded online presence Community connection and street fair (like Rumble on Gray)</p> |