

FIRST UNITED CHURCH COUNCIL Meeting

April 29, 2021 7:00 pm

We, at First United Church, are called by the spirit to be a caring community of faith actively pursuing spiritual growth and compassionate outreach

Members Present:

Kevin Hanna, Chair

Annette Taylor, Minister

Nicole Rewerts, Worship & Music

Ila Wilms, Building & Property

Pat Dyck Bunkosky, Secretary

Donna Barber, UCW

Sharon Veer, Member-at-Large

Colleen MacBean

Sharyn Erne, Vice Chair

Patti McCleary, Outreach

Shirley Dyck, Ministry & Personnel

Linda Stumpf, Faith Formation

Peggy Worrell, Faith Formation

Ron Toles, Trustee

Marlene Reidle, Chair of Trustees

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. A quorum was present.
2. Check in
3. Reminder of Holy Manner #2 Respect the Worth of Each Individual
4. Opening Devotion – Nicole Rewerts - Worship & Music
5. Agenda amendments
Motion: Ron Toles/Charles Lotochinski
To approve the agenda as amended. Carried
6. Acknowledgement of the March 23, 2021 Executive meeting minutes.
7. Approval of the March 25, Church Council minutes.
Motion: Sharon Veer/Sharyn Erne
To approve the March 25, 2021 Church Council minutes. Carried.
8. Business arising from the minutes
 - a) Knox Hall proposal – Building & Property has suggested that we do a better job of advertising space for rent, not necessarily a long-term lease.
 - b) Marlene Reidle – permission to be a voting member of Council has been approved by Living Skies Regional Council Executive.
9. No correspondence
10. Minister's Report (including Swift Current and Area Ministerial Association) – Annette Taylor – Annette has finished planning for her Sabbatical to run from May 17 – August 15.
11. Important Items from Reports
 - a) Financial status report from Stewardship – Charles Lotochinski – we are eligible for another Canadian emergency wage subsidy
 - b) M and P passed a motion to recognize Patti and Rhonda on Administrative Professional Day, April 28th. The gifts of goodies were gratefully received.
 - c) M & PC membership motions to Council minutes -The following motions were passed by the Membership & Pastoral Care Committee in March 2021
Motion: Rhonda Lotochinski/Deb Fletcher

That Brenda Martyn-Kelly be granted a Certificate of Transfer of Membership to Calvary United Church, Prince Albert and that her name be removed from the roll.

Motion: Rhonda Lotochinski/Carol Moen

That Betty Vause be granted a Certificate of Transfer of Membership and that her name be removed from the roll.

Motion: Charlotte Thingvold/Deb Fletcher

That the following members be removed from the roll as per their request: Darrell Mitchell and Laurie Sokol-Mitchell.

Motion: Carol Moen/Charlotte Thingvold

That the following members, who are no longer active in the congregation, be removed from the roll: List of 11 names and list of 64 names (see lists below).

Contacted via FaceBook messenger for their addresses but never replied:

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| 1. Roxanne Mateychuk | 7. Brent Running |
| 2. Bradley Woodard | 8. Kelly Running |
| 3. Yvette Woodard | 9. Jacklyn Running |
| 4. Jordan Strain | 10. Samantha Spencer |
| 5. Sheldon Martens | 11. Tenley Bower |
| 6. Kathy Running | |

Letters sent to members' addresses who did not reply:

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| 1. Cathy Horne | 33. Laura McConkey |
| 2. Wendy Wedhorn-Campbell | 34. Larry Martinoski |
| 3. Gayna Lachapelle | 35. Jody Lott |
| 4. Logan Demorest | 36. Debbie Kraus |
| 5. Linda Heinrichs-Demorest | 37. Darcy Pearce |
| 6. Carole Lemon | 38. David Martinoski |
| 7. Dwight Lemon | 39. Andrew Martinoski |
| 8. Shara Lunn (Stolhandske) | 40. Dean Mateychuk |
| 9. Dennis Fox | 41. Gary Whitney |
| 10. Dianne Fox | 42. Alexis Hargreaves |
| 11. Ellen Durant | 43. Shirley Taylor |
| 12. Jeffrey Keene | 44. Natasha Prefontaine |
| 13. Ruth Eidsness | 45. Stan Johnston |
| 14. Connie Magnusson | 46. Irene Booth |
| 15. Thomas Voth | 47. Linda Bell |
| 16. Orlena Potter (Jacobsen) | 48. Laura Reid |
| 17. Vern Dormuth | 49. Bruce Reid |
| 18. Sheila Boruch | 50. Katherine Rayner |
| 19. Tara Gottselig | 51. Susan Johnston |

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| 20. Dale Robertson | 52. Keith Johnston |
| 21. Melinda Dawe (Haubrich) | 53. Marg Benallack |
| 22. Bradley Schuett | 54. Rick Anderson |
| 23. Jim McLauchlan | 55. Dona Eidsness-Anderson |
| 24. Lynda Lemay | 56. Sheila Thick |
| 25. Brittany Hanna | 57. Scarlet Smid |
| 26. Shaun Hanna | 58. Don Robinson |
| 27. Peggy Larson | 59. Tara Thorburn |
| 28. Tina Miller | 60. Rae Thomson |
| 29. Kyle Rayner | 61. Kalesha Rayner |
| 30. Calli Illerbrun | 62. Kody Rayner |
| 31. Tom Westbury | 63. Kalen Rayner |
| 32. Brent Wall | 64. Kerry Rayner |

Motion: Deb Fletcher/Rhonda Lotochinski

That the Membership and Pastoral Care Committee approve the full membership of Nicole Rewerts through Baptism and Profession of Faith on March 14, 2021. Carried.

- d) Meeting dates in August recommendation Aug 31 & Sept 2

Motion to accept written reports

Motion: Sharyn Erne/Ila Wilms

That we accept all reports as written. Carried.

12. New Business

- a) Summer Hours

Motion: Patti McCleary/Colleen MacBean

That we set the summer church office hours as 9:00 to 12:00 from June 21 to August 21. Carried.

- b) Covenant of Mutual Commitment between First United Church and the Living Skies Regional Council – Linda Stumpf, Regional Representative

Motion: Linda Stumpf/Colleen MacBean

That we accept the Covenant as circulated so that it can be sent to Regional Council and we can be officially covenanted at the Regional meeting. Carried.

- c) Recommendation of the Book Study group

Motion: Linda Stumpf/Peggy Worrell

That copies of A Good War: Mobilizing Canada For the Climate Emergency by Seth Klein be sent to our Premier, provincial Minister of the Environment, MLA, Leader of the Opposition, and Leader of the Liberal Party along with a letter of endorsement from First United Church.

And that letters of endorsement from First United Church be sent to our Prime Minister, federal Minister of the Environment, MP, Leader of the Opposition, and Leaders of the NDP and Bloc Quebecois.

And that a copy of the book along with a letter of endorsement from First United Church be sent to the Mayor of Swift Current. The cost for purchasing and mailing the six books will be \$200, Budget Line 5075. Carried.

d) Fundraising Working Group

The Spring Fling auction raised a total of \$3120.

Motion: Patti McLeary/Charles Lotochinski

That we hold a fundraiser, \$21 for 2021, from June 1 to 15. Carried.

13. Group norms – Sharon Veer- Member-at-Large

14. Reminder of action items – Sharon Veer – Member-at-Large

15. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm

16. Closing prayer – Nicole Rewerts - Worship & Music

Next Executive Meeting – Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 5:15 p.m.

Upcoming Church Council Meeting – May 27, 2021

Opening Devotion and closing prayer for May 27, 2021: Faith Formation

Kevin Hanna, Chair

Pat Dyck Bunkosky, Secretary