Trinity United Church Official Board Minutes May 8, 2018

**Mission: To Grow In Faith, Fellowship and Service with Christ Jesus**

**Present:** Miranda Edwards (Chair), Barb Jones (Secretary), Rev. Doug Neufeld, Lenny Lamirande (Treasurer), Darlynne Smith, Keith Privat, Linda Friesen, Gloria McMillan, Shirley Kernaghan, Lois Riley, Alan Silvius

**Regrets:** Louise Hume, Larry Sage

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm. Miranda welcomed all those present.

**Covenant of Leadership:**

**Agenda: Motion:** Lois Riley/Alan SilviusThat the agenda be approved as submitted. Carried

**Motion:**  Gloria McMillan/Linda Friesen That the minutes of the April 10, 2018 meeting be adopted as circulated. Carried

**Correspondence:** None

**Minister’s Report:** As circulated.

**Committee Work:**

**Worship:** Report circulated. Want to extend an invitation to other churches to attend Trinity if they don’t have coverage for a weekend.

**Motion:** Alan Silvius/Gloria McMillan: That the open offering from the joint July 1, 2018 service be given to Helping Hands. Carried

**Presbytery report:** Shirley will circulate it via email for people to review. November 2018 will be the final Presbytery meeting.

**CE:** Report circulated. Discussion of providing some programming during summer for children. Look at something for Father’s Day and encourage families to attend the outdoor July 1 service.

**M&P:** Report circulated. Coverage has been set up for office during Nikki’s holidays. Katie’s last service in May 27. There have been no applicants yet for the Music Director’s position, but it has been viewed a lot.

**Choir:** An offering will be gathered for Katie on her last Sunday and a cake will be served during fellowship.

**Outreach:** No update

**Property:** Report as circulated. Elevator is broken so a call for service will be made. Asked for a quote for a new elevator out of curiosity. $66,000 plus tax plus shipping.

**Pastoral Care:** See report **Motion:** Darlynne Smith/Alan Silvius To accept report as presented. Carried

**Criminal Record Checks:**  All checks have been reviewed and are being stored securely. Committee chairs were notified of the results for their committee members. Any new checks need to go directly to one of the committee members.

**Treasurer’s Report:** As circulated.

Choir account closed. Bank draft submitted to Trinity United church. Request for a line in the Trinity General Fund account.

Need to start thinking about Stewardship Campaign for the fall.

**Motion:** Lenny Lamirande/Darlynne Smith That the Treasurer’s report be accepted as circulated. Carried

**Website discussion:** Nikki joined us to share her thoughts and concerns. Worried about security. Current program, Word Press, is restrictive in is adaptability. Want to change to a different platform for programming the website for ease of programming and updating. Wondering what features are desired on the website. Who will oversee what content is placed on the site? Everything should be filtered through the convenors and Trinity’s minister.

The board would like to give Nikki the opportunity to start creating a new website during her regular working hours after all current duties are completed from now until the end of summer. Gloria will let Nikki know this.

**Motion:** Lois Riley/Linda Friesen That Trinity United Church donate $25 to “Take Back the Streetz campaign.” To be taken out of the Outreach budget. Carried

**“Let’s Talk 2” Financial request and update**”: 17 from Trinity. About 40 people total. Report will be coming in about three weeks and it will be shared with all church members. It was clear from the event that there is a need to get to know each other better. Request from Central to contribute to the cost of the Facilitator.

Motion: Keith Privat/Darlynne Smith: That we donate $200 towards the cost of the Let’s Talk 2 workshop. Carried One opposed. Miranda will write a letter to be sent with the cheque to express our concern with how the request was made and that all future planning and financial discussions need to be discussed prior to events being planned.

**May 12th Iridesce Workshop-The Living Apology Project** – Need to RSVP to Knox by Wednesday.

**Fundraising opportunity – Concert Spring 2019** – Great Plains group. Dates available in early April 2019. Darlynne will send out information regarding the percentage.

**Covenant of Leadership**

**Adjournment:** at 9:25 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** June 12, 2018