

ST. DAVIDS-QUEENSTON UNITED CHURCH

CHURCH BOARD MINUTES

APRIL 21, 2026

Present: Rev. YongSeok Baek; Sue Cote; Sue Foss; Linda Hardaker; Steve Hardaker; Rev. Doug Jones; Judy Kerr; Sandra Macdonald (Chair); Larry McRae; Marianne McRae (Secretary); Bob Prentice; Bill Utting and Nancy Utting

Rev. Baek opened the meeting with prayer.

1) Acceptance of Agenda: It was moved by Judy and seconded by Linda to accept the proposed agenda for this meeting. Carried

2) Acceptance of Previous Minutes: It was moved by Doug and seconded by Sue Foss that the minutes of the March 17, 2026 meeting be accepted as printed. Carried

3) Continuing Items arising from the previous minutes:

3.0) It was noted that the Annual Meeting should have been held before the end of March, as per the Constitution. This will be scheduled for an earlier date in 2027.

3.1) Steve noted that Church Website has been reviewed and updated with the help of Sue Cote.

Sue Cote suggested that having the Emergency Response document on the website isn't enough. She feels it should be posted throughout the church where anyone can access it (i.e outside washrooms; in the narthex etc.). It was decided to ask Kathleen to print a few copies for posting.

Judy offered to instruct Kathleen on printing a dozen cards for those who use Par but would like to have something to put on the offering plate. They will be left at the entrance, collected and re-used. The addition of this feature should be noted in the bulletin.

4)Consent Agenda: Reports were received from the following groups: Spiritual Care; Fundraising and Finance.

MOTION: It was moved by Steve; seconded by Doug and carried to accept the previously submitted reports.

5) NEW BUSINESS

5.0) Christian Education: Sue Foss reported that Amanda Xu is working most Sundays, so a replacement teacher is needed. Sue can cover some of the holes, but will be returning to work and doesn't know her schedule. It was suggested that Sue approach Mary Yarnell who taught at Trinity Thorold and also to publish the need in the bulletin.

5.1) Facility Requests: Steve reported that Lisa Brillon's music festival is being held this week and next.

Rev. Baek has been approached about a wedding in May that is to be held outdoors. They are asking about renting the sanctuary in case of rain. The discussion included: paying the fee of \$200 plus \$50 for the sound system and \$50 for the caretaker in advance of the May 23rd wedding.

It was move by Larry; seconded by Sue Foss, that these fees be paid in advance and held as a deposit with the full amount to be refunded if the facility is not needed. Carried.

6) Correspondence – Sandra reported receiving notice that a grant is available to improve accessibility. Suggestions included: automatic door openers that would only work if the door is unlocked and a chair lift from the kitchen to the lower level. The Property Committee was asked to take a look at the grant. The deadline for applications is May 7th and is for up to \$60,000.

7) New business:

7.0) Alarm Force has asked if we might consider updating the internet.

7.1) Brenna Baker is making a presentation on Stewardship at the anniversary service on May 3rd. It was decided that there will not be a potluck lunch offered following the service. Instead, Rev. Baek should offer to take her to lunch following the post-coffee hour presentation. Other churches are invited to attend that presentation at 12:30. We are not responsible for paying her a fee or travel as this is part of her job, but Rev. Baek suggested it is normal practice to make a donation to General Council instead.

8) Further Committee Reports

8.0) Trustees: Doug reported that he had received a request from Bill Young on behalf of the Commonwealth and War Grave volunteers (Eyes on; Hands on) with an offer to maintain and clean the stones of War vets buried in our cemetery. Doug will meet with him.

8.1) Property: Bill reported a need for a load of stone in the back parking lot. It was suggested a top dressing for the front lawn is also needed. Permission was given to go ahead with these 2 projects.

8.2) UCW: Judy reported that the last pie bake for the season will be on Friday, April 24th; the church Yard Sale will be held on May 2nd and the lunch out will be on May 14th at The Shore in Jordan.

9) Closing prayer was offered by Rev. Jones

10) Next meeting: Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary

11) Adjournment at 7:55 p.m. was moved by Bill.