

ST. DAVIDS-QUEENSTON UNITED CHURCH

CHURCH BOARD MINUTES

MARCH 18, 2025

1. **PRESENT:** Rev. YongSeok Baek, Sandra Macdonald, Judy Kerr, Bill Utting, Linda Hardaker, Larry McRae, Rev. Doug Jones, Sue Cote
ABSENT: Marianne McRae, Sue Foss, Steve Hardaker, Marie Vahrmeyer, Nancy Utting

2. Opening Prayer: Rev. Baek

3. Acceptance of Agenda with amendment to change “church hall” to “Sanctuary” under New Business 6.2. Moved by Linda Hardaker and seconded by Bill Utting to accept the amended agenda for this meeting. Carried.

Acceptance of Previous Minutes . Moved by Bill Utting and seconded by Judy Kerr that the minutes of the January 2, 2025 meeting be accepted as printed. Carried.

Continuing items arising from the previous minutes:

- 4.1 Bill Utting presented a copy of his report (see attached). The main issue was that we should add a heat pump to replace the furnace in the hall to the original quote but not to the budget. It was discussed that this be done only if the grant program goes ahead. Moved by Bill Utting and seconded by Judy Kerr, carried.

- 4.2 According to the property committee report, the LED fixtures will be part of the work to be done.

- 4.3 Steve Hardaker reported that there is no update regarding the 100th anniversary celebration.

- 4.4 Rev. Baek has suggested June 8 as the Sunday for the celebration of new members which is also the date for the 100th anniversary celebration in the afternoon.

- 4.5 Linda Hardaker has been corresponding with the United Church of Canada and has received a stern reply by email. She is currently asking for a reduction of the 2023 assessment due to an estate bequest and will continue to deal with the matter.

5. **Consent Agenda:** Reports were received from the UCW, Worship and Faith, Spiritual Care, Finance, Youth Group and Property committee. A motion to accept the Consent agenda was moved by Doug Jone, seconded by Bill Utting and carried.

6. **New Business**

6.1 There was a request for a possible change to the date for our anniversary date which is currently scheduled for May 4. It was discussed that June 8 be used being the same date of the new members celebration. A motion was made by Judy Kerr and seconded by Linda Harkaker to change the date to June 8.

6.2 Recap of annual meeting. It was agreed that the meeting went well but there was a suggestion that a shorter meeting will be better received.

6.3 Celebration of the 70th anniversary of the church sanctuary. Florence advised that the anniversary date is March 27, 2025. It was suggested that March 23 be a church service to celebrate and Rev. Baek was agreeable to that. Florence suggested that possibly some members who were in attendance at that time speak.

7. Facility Requests were made by Lisa Brillon for April 4, 6, 7, 8 and March 29 and from Marilyn Beatty for March 30.

8. There was no correspondence to report.

Committee reports

9.1 Youth Group - Rev. Baek advised that the Youth Group is doing well and there are approximately 8 - 10 youth attending. He thanked the congregation for their support.

9.2 Finance - See report attached.

9.3 Ministry and Personnel - nothing to report

9.4 UCW - see report.

9.5 Trustees - Doug Jones advised that because we had more than 10 burials including 14 cremations, a cheque in the amount \$420.00 had to be sent in order to renew our licence. It was also reported that Order Dismissing Action for Delay had been filed regarding a matter commenced with the Trustees being named as the Defendant.

9.6 Property - see report

9.7 Christian Education - nothing to report

9.8 Spiritual Care - see report

9.9 Regional Council - see report

9.10 Congregational Chair - nothing to report

Doug Jones suggested a fundraiser regarding collecting and cashing in scrap metal. He advised that he would do the collection and cashing in. He will draft an announcement for the bulletin.

Motion to Adjourn meeting - Moved by Doug Jones, seconded by Bill Utting and carried.

Closing Prayer - Rev. Baek led us in prayer

Next meeting will be April 15, 2025 in the sanctuary.