

St. Andrew's United Church Session Meeting
Monday, February 12, 2024

St. Andrew's United Church Session meeting was held Monday, February 12th in the Heritage room at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Dianne Anderson, Brenda Ormsby, Mervin Hanson, Lona Benson, Isaac Hintze, Dave Hewitson, Wayne Sinclair, Val Mohan, Doreen Hewitson, Cliff Olorenshaw

Absent: Sandra Hodgins, Lacey Owens, Kristin Wagner

Devotion: Isaac Hintze read 'the Donkey and the Tiger'

Adoption of Agenda: **Moved** by Val Mohan, **seconded** by Isaac Hintze that the agenda be adopted as presented. **Carried. #02-08**

Adoption of the Minutes: **Moved** by Dave Hewitson, **seconded** by Lona Benson that the minutes of the January 8th, 2024 meeting be adopted as printed. **Carried. #02-09**

Business arising from the Minutes:

- Wayne didn't have a chance to talk to Jocelyn about the services being shown at the lodge
- Letters will go out this week to different churches

Correspondence: - none

Stewardship Report

- As of the end of January we have \$2,200.00 less income and our expenses are \$600.00 less than last year at the same time, therefore we are about \$1,600.00 worse off. A cheque was written to Rocky for \$3,200.00 but is not yet showing in expenses.

Wayne Sinclair made a **motion** that we transfer \$3200.00 from Renovations to the General account. Cliff Olorenshaw **seconded. Carried. #02-10**

Moved by Val Mohan, **seconded** by Brenda Ormsby that we accept the Stewardship Report. **Carried. #02-11**

Committee Reports:

C.E. – nothing to report

Worship

- February 13th – Shrove Tuesday (11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.)
- February 15th – Lent services start at FGC (Feb. 22nd & March 21st United Church)
- February 18th – Family Sunday & Communion
- March – Ministry & Personnel
- March 3rd – Annual Congregational Meeting
- March 10th & 17th – Dave will lead us in worship
- April 14th – Gloria Prentice will lead us in worship

Isaac Hintze made a **motion** that we have our March session meeting on March 18th as Doreen will be away on the 11th. **Seconded** by Lona Benson. **Carried. #02-12**

Ministry & Personnel – (days Doreen will be off)

- March 4th – 14th – DLM learning circle

- March 15, 17, April 11,12,14,17, May 21 – 24 (vacation)

Membership

- Report has been submitted for the Annual Report
- Historic roll would be much easier to find information if it was imputed in computer

Outreach – will serve lunch for February 22nd and March 21st Lenten services

Properties & Manse

- Rocky is done crack filling
- Next is to paint
- Will try to square up the door at the manse
- Tub surround in manse needs repairs
- Cliff Warren will change lights in sanctuary
- Snow removal – need to talk to Patsy about having snow removed before events in church

Audio Visual – nothing to report

Minister's Report

- 5 home visits
- Several nursing home visits following worship
- Lent and Easter planning is complete; Communion this Sunday and again on Easter Sunday
- Several interviews for DLM's seeking ordination or commissioning have been happening. I was interviewed on February 5th and will learn the results within the next couple of weeks. If successful, I will be ordained at the Regional Gathering in June.
- Regional Gathering will be held from June 13th to June 16th in Saskatoon. Registration is \$175.00. As soon as an accommodation list is available I will be booking a room.

Moved by Val Mohan, **seconded** by Isaac Hintze that these reports be accepted as presented. **Carried. #02-13**

New Business:

In camera session to discuss minister's salary: Doreen and Dave left the room at 8:00 p.m. Doreen's salary is currently \$51,805.00 and when ordained will increase to \$52,228.00 July 2024.

Doreen and Dave re-entered room at 8:16 p.m.

Annual Congregational Meeting:

- Need a recording secretary and chairperson; Brenda will act as recording secretary but if necessary Val is on standby. Mervin will ask Jeanette to be chairperson.
- We will go in camera for Annual Congregational Meeting
- The congregation should be aware that the National Assessment was not paid last year. Wayne will mention this in his report for the Annual Report.

Wayne Sinclair presented to the board the 2024 budget showing a \$548.00 deficit.

Wayne Sinclair made a **motion** that we accept the 2024 budget as presented. Dave Hewitson **seconded. Carried. #02-14**

Moved by Cliff Olorenshaw, **seconded** by Isaac Hintze that this meeting be adjourned at 9:02 p.m. **Carried. #02-15**