

**B 17/18 – Meeting #4  
Mill Woods United Church  
Council Minutes**

**Date:** October 10, 2017

**Location:** Church lounge

**Present:** Kathy Poechman, Carla Janzen, Lindy Mair (Chairpersons), Rev. Ian Kellogg, Randy Round (Finance), Laine Pickle (Member-At-Large), Dave Elliot (Presbytery), Ethel Ray (Worship), Diane Nash Borynec (Member-at-Large), Elfrieda Penner (Recording Steward)

**Regrets:** Francisco Rico (Ministry & Personnel), Brian Sampson (Past Chair)

**This constitutes a quorum.**

**Follow-up**

**Opening:**

The meeting was opened at 7:05 p.m. with a prayer by Ian.

**Approval of Minutes** to be posted on MWUC website:

**Motion 17/18-12:** Moved by Laine Pickle, seconded by Carla Janzen that the minutes of September 12, 2017 be accepted as presented. **Carried**

**Thanks:** Council extended thanks to:

- Bev Thompson for her enthusiastic service as the Child, Youth, and Family worker these past three years
- Kathy Poechman for tireless leadership of the Food Bank and Clothing Bank over many years
- Nancy Siever and Lindy Mair for leading the Sunday services on September 24 and October 1
- Georgia Englot for playing the violin with the choir on October 8
- Rob and Jennifer McPhee for arranging a series of adult social functions again this year

**Correspondence:**

- **Drag Show:** is confirmed for Saturday, November 18 at 7:00 pm.
- **Great Plains Concert:** is confirmed for Dec.7.
- **Thanksgiving offering:** If there was a Thanksgiving offering made, this was approved by Council to go to the Bissell Centre.
- Thanks from the **Collective Kitchen** for our support.

**Business arising:**

**Daycare:** Dave and Laine are continuing the process of planning for the possibility of renting to the daycare in fall of next year.

**Christmas offering** was approved to go to No Room at the Inn.

**Church youth:** Council discussed possible ways to involve our youth, and how to include any youth and children that come on Sundays, which is a special concern as our Child, Youth, and Family worker has resigned.

**Property Committee concerns:**

- **Floors maintenance:** sufficient money will be added to the Property Committee budget to cover the cost of hiring a floor maintenance person for the necessary annual stripping and waxing.
- **Retaining wall** around the basement windows: Property is working on how to stabilize this wall.
- **Lift:** Instructions are on the doors, emphasizing that the operator stays on the outside and only 1 person be on the lift at a time.
- **Light in the steeple:** Property is working on installing a timer to allow the steeple light to be on at night.
- **Thermostats:** leave them as is. Ian, Janice and Laura are trained to adjust these.
- **Lower hall windows:** the feasibility of changing one or more of these to be able to open them for ventilation was discussed but tabled to a future meeting, as this may be a factor in the possible daycare rental.
- **Sound system:** Council agreed to leave the old sound system as is. Ian will ask Bryan LeGrow to consider how we can better organize the cords at the front of the sanctuary.
- **Projection screens** at the front of the sanctuary: Council agreed with the concept of improving this, but that this needs to be postponed at the present.
- **Fire drill:** may need to be held.
- **Property Committee membership:** the Nominating Committee will work on recruiting new members.

Ian

**New Business:**

**Financial report:** Randy presented the finances to date.

**Facing The Future report:** Laine Pickle presented a report prepared by FTF for the Annual Financial Meeting to be held on November 19, 2017. Council discussed the various options and will provide Laine with any feedback by the end of this week.

**Fees for weddings and funerals:** this was deferred to a future meeting.

**Minister’s report:**

- Funeral for Jane Ward on September 26
- Bible Study and Hot Topics sessions continue.
- Oct 21 wedding of Colin Becker and Sandra Wulff

**Motion 17/18-13:** Moved by Carla Janzen, seconded by Lindy Mair that Council approves the baptism of Violet Catherine Elmhurst, daughter of Danielle Elmhurst and Trevor Elmhurst on Saturday, October 14. **Carried**

- Connections newsletter deadline: **November 5**

**Next Council meeting:** November 14, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:**

**Motion 17/18-14:** Moved by Randy Round that the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

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Lindy Mair, Co-Chairperson

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Elfrieda Penner, Recording Steward