

Mission and Outreach Zoom Meeting Minutes,

March 5th, 2021

Present: Elaine and Tim Hunt, Gyllian Davies, Lynda Turner, Doreen Davidson, Duncan Mathieson, Joan Warren, Bridget Metzger. **Regrets:** Nancy Wigen.

Lynda called the meeting to order and Gyllian opened with prayer

Bridget volunteered to be the secretary for the meeting.

Financial Report:

Doreen is still waiting to receive a new update from Andrew.

OLD Business:

Reaching Out:

Duncan thanked everyone for their reports and apologised for the delay in getting it out. Lynda has received it as of today. **A Motion of Thanks** for Duncan's hard work was made by Joan and seconded by Tim.

Alert Bay: Gyllian reported that she has had no response from Rev Will Hubbard as yet and she was unable to reach Andrew.

Laundromat: Elaine and Tim reported that an ad was placed in this week's Driftwood for a manager and assistant manager and that they are hoping to open by April 1st.

PROPOSED 2021 PROJECTS

Monte Verde: Doreen reported that she needs more time to get more information.

Food Pantry, Zimbabwe: Bridget reported that she had heard from The Pantry and that at the start of the New Year their shelves were empty. **Moved** by Bridget and seconded by Tim that \$500 be donated towards The Pantry. **Carried.** Tim requested that Bridget remind the committee next meeting of what The Pantry's specific costs are.

Indigenous Communities: Doreen is waiting for a response from Mark and feels that it is important that we wait and see what he says about specific projects.

Indigenous Youth: Tim recommended supporting the Primate's suicide prevention fund and he will look into PWRDF website to get more information for next time.

New Business:

2021 Budget:

International \$500 The Food Pantry

National: We will look at PWRDF Indigenous Programmes

Local: There was some discussion on supporting the schools with grocery cards as we did at Christmas time. No decision was made.

There was further discussion on the topic of mental health on Salt Spring, especially in light of the effects of Covid. It appears that the need is great on Salt Spring and it was felt that the Church needed more education on our local situation. A proposal was made by Gyllian that the Church could sponsor a mental health forum. It was decided that each member of the Committee would be in touch with the people they knew on the Island, who were involved in mental health in one way or another, both lay and professional, to find out more information and to see if they would be interested in participating in such a forum. Gyllian emphasized it is only a tentative suggestion at this point in time.

Parish Council Rep on M&O will likely be appointed at the next Council meeting.

Next meeting Friday April 9th, 2021, 1:30 pm, by Zoom

Gyllian excused herself from the meeting due to an important call coming through.

Tim prayed for Mike Lane, Nancy's son.

Motion to adjourn was made by Elaine.

The meeting was closed with the Grace.

Respectfully submitted by Bridget