

Wesley United Church
Council Meeting
February 12, 2020 7:00 pm

Wesley United Church, located on Treaty 4 land, is an Affirming Ministry of Jesus Christ, nurturing spiritual exploration and growth. We advocate for justice and social action. We love and care for ourselves and our neighbours throughout the world.

Minutes

Present:

	Name	Position on Council
	Dan Holbrow	President
	Stephanie Dove	Past President
	Laura Thomson	Vice-President
	Al Goudie	Secretary
R	Jim Chernick	Treasurer
	June Blau	Admin & Finance Division Coordinator
R	Frances Goudie	Christian Education Division Coordinator
	Linda Paul	Pastoral Care Division Coordinator
R	Valerie Stimpson	Pastoral Care Division Coordinator
	Tessa Whyte	Ministry & Personnel Division Coordinator
		Worship Division Coordinator
	Cindy Bourgeois	Minister
	Donna Miniely	Social Justice Committee

R = Regrets P = Partial

1. Call to order – Dan welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:14 pm.
2. Opening reflection: Cindy
3. Approval of agenda

Motion 2020-08: That the agenda be approved as amended. M/S Al Goudie/ June Blau – carried.

4. Approval of minutes from January 15, 2020 council meeting

Motion 2020-09: That the minutes of the meeting of January 15, 2020 be adopted. M/S Al Goudie/Tessa Whyte – carried.

5. Consent agenda

5.1. Vice President's report

5.2. Past president's report

5.3. President's report

5.4. Christian Education

5.5. Administration and Finance

5.6. Ministry and Personnel

5.7. Treasurer

5.8. Pastoral Care

5.9. Social Justice

5.10. Worship

Motion 2020-10: That the Consent Agenda be approved. M/S June Blau/Stephanie Dove – carried.

6. Old business

6.1. Community of Faith Profile - update. Dan reported that the Profile is complete, although the minister's position

description should be included. M & P is working on it. The Profile as is will be posted on Church HUB and our Website. The congregation will be advised in the weekly announcements. Printed copies will be made available.

6.2. Discussion of table service. Well organized, good discussion. Dan & Kent prepared the congregation well for the discussion. One comment, not enough time to discuss what Amalgamation or Resource Sharing would mean. Perhaps a further table service would be useful. Dan ranked the responses in order of preference: Resource Sharing 1.57, Amalgamation 2.19, Status Quo 2.35, Closure 3.76. There was a clear preference for Resource Sharing; Amalgamation & Status Quo are virtually tied. Dan has not completed an analysis of the notes recorded at the tables and will share the results. The results could be read as a mandate to experiment with other groups, whether church groups or community groups. It was agreed that we should have another Sunday table service to talk just about Shared Resources and Amalgamation, after Easter.

7. February strategy and visioning (new business)

7.1. Refugee Proposal was favourably received.

Motion 2020-11: That the Proposal to sponsor an LGBTQ2Spirit refugee be approved. M/S Stephanie Dove/June Blau – carried.

Motion 2020-12: That the remainder of the Refugee Fund be used towards the sponsorship of an LGBTQ2Spirit refugee. M/S Linda Paul/June Blau – carried.

Motion 2020-13: That Kent Stewart be empowered to form a Refugee Committee. M/S Laura Thomson/Tessa Whyte – carried.

The Refugee Committee is encouraged to seek the additional required funding and human resources from other churches and community groups.

7.2 Correspondence - none

8. Minister's report – none

9. Next meeting

Council , March 18, 2020, 7:00 pm. Volunteer for reflection: Linda

10. Adjournment at 8:31 pm

Dan Holbrow, President

Al Goudie, Secretary