

**Wesley United Church**  
 Council Meeting by Zoom  
 November 25, 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.*

Present:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position on Council</b>
	Dan Holbrow	President
	Stephanie Dove	Past President
		Vice-President
	Al Goudie	Secretary
	Jim Chernick	Treasurer
	June Blau	Admin & Finance Division Coordinator
R	Frances Goudie	Christian Education Division Coordinator
R	Linda Paul	Pastoral Care Division Coordinator
		Pastoral Care Division Coordinator
	Tessa Whyte	Ministry & Personnel Division Coordinator
		Worship Division Coordinator
	Cindy Bourgeois	Minister

R = Regrets    P = Partial

1. Call to order. Dan called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.
2. Opening reflection - June
3. Approval of agenda

**Motion 2020-62: That the agenda be approved as amended.** M/S Jim Chernick/June Blau – carried.

4. Approval of minutes from October 2020 council meeting

**Motion 2020-63: That the minutes of the meeting of October 21, 2020 be adopted.** M/S Al Goudie/Tessa Whyte – carried.

Al noted that since the last Council meeting two resignations from Council have been received: Laura Thomson as Vice President and Val Stimpson as Pastoral Care Coordinator.

**Motion 2020-64: That the resignations from Council of Laura Thomson as Vice President and Val Stimpson as Pastoral Care Coordinator be accepted.** M/S Al Goudie/Stephanie Dove – 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 – removed from Consent agenda
- 5.6. Ministry and Personnel
- 5.7. Treasurer
- 5.8. Pastoral Care
- 5.9. Social Justice
- 5.10. Worship

**Motion 2020-65: That the Consent Agenda be approved (with the Administration and Finance report removed).** M/S June Blau/Tessa Whyte – carried.

Reports removed from the Consent Agenda:

Administration and Finance: June mentioned a new item: At an Admin & Finance meeting today need was identified to amend the job description for the music director to have the employee benefit of Lee's access to the church for piano lessons as a taxable benefit with taxes withheld. The benefit is equal to the rental charge to an outsider. Ministry and Personnel will provide an updated job description to Council. Glenn Schmuland is working on the taxable benefit issue.

June mentioned that the 2021 budget is ready for Council to meet and review. The date for the Council budget meeting will be Saturday December 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am by Zoom.

6. Old Business

6.1 Congregational meeting on October 25. Cindy forwarded the partnership agreement with UCAS to the Regional Council. In response, Regional Council asked if they could use the agreement as a template for future partnership initiatives.

6.2 UCAS Partnership update. Cindy spoke to Christine Lwanga today. The office is not ready yet, so UCAS has not moved in yet. UCAS & Wesley have received a \$25,000 grant from United Way to facilitate counselling for new Canadians. The grant will be sent to Wesley to administer. UCAS will submit a monthly itemization of what was used for the month and Wesley will transfer that amount to UCAS.

7. November strategy and visioning (new business)

7.1 Response to Darwin Roske's letter re: usage of space for piano lessons. Council agreed that Dan's draft reply is appropriate, with removal of references to other music personnel.

7.2 Resumption of remote-only services (Emergency Response)

**Motion 2020-66: That Council affirms the action taken by the Emergency Response Committee to immediately suspend in person worship services in light of increasing Covid cases. M/S Al Goudie/Stephanie Dove – carried.**

7.3 Social Justice budgeted donations:

**Motion 2020-67: That Council approves the following donations from the 2020 Social Justice budget:**

**R.E.A.C.H. \$200**

**Regina Native Outreach Ministry \$200**

**Regina Sexual Assault Centre \$400**


**Regina Anti-Poverty Ministry \$400**

**Carmichael Outreach \$300**


**M/S June Blau/Tessa Whyte – carried.**

**Council would like to develop closer fundraising relationships with Regina Native Outreach Ministry and Regina Anti-Poverty Ministry.**

8. Minister's report. Cindy referred to her message in the Wesley Word.
9. Next meeting January 20, 2021, 7:00 pm. Volunteer for reflection - Jim
10. Adjournment at 8:00 pm

  
Stephanie Dove, Past President

For Dan Holbrow, President

  
Al Goudie, Secretary