

# **North Kildonan United Church**

## **Minutes of the Unified Board Meeting**

**Tuesday November 7, 2023**

### **Attendees:**

Rev. Susan Reed  
Linda Slade  
Gay Todd  
Ron Fortier  
Heidi McIlwain  
Sheron Miller

Karen Kearney  
Marvelle McPherson  
Clayton Gording  
Del Sexsmith  
Grant McMillan

**Regrets:** Scottie McLaren

**Call to Order:** 7:00 p.m.

**Opening Scripture and Prayer:** Del Sexsmith

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to accept agenda of November 3, 2023

Moved: Gay Todd

Seconded: Sheron Miller

Carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept minutes of October, 2023 with one amendment under finance report. The two other financial reports circulated and carried were:

1. Revised 2022 Actual and 2023 Projected Actual vs 2024 Budget for the years ending Dec 31<sup>st</sup>
2. Year to date Actuals vs Annual budget as of Sept 30<sup>th</sup>.

Moved: Marvelle McPherson

Seconded: Clayton Gording

Carried

**Correspondence:** None

**Minister's Report:** Oral

Gradually settling in. Grateful to all for their help. Wednesday morning Worship Group has started up and will take a break in December and resume in January 2024. Has attended three covenanting services. Three more to go in November. Has been gathering with various groups connected with the United Church. Was delighted to have a baptism and has presided over one funeral. Is now focusing on Christmas planning and Advent.

**Treasurer's Report:** Circulated/Oral

Report circulated: NKUC General & MCP Savings and Chequing Accounts for the  
Month Ended October 31, 2023

Motion to accept Treasurer's report: Linda Slade

Seconded: Grant McMillan

Carried.

Discussion held about the expense related to elevator repair costs due to outside user groups not being familiar with the elevator usage. Clayton will draft a letter to the groups to inform them of what is required when using the elevator and where to position the elevator before they exit the building.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Christian Education:** Circulated/Oral

On Oct 29<sup>th</sup> children and youth group (plus adults) dressed up in Halloween costumes. The children and youth decorated cookies (also ate them 😊) and did a bingo game.

Dec 17<sup>th</sup> will be the date for the annual Sunday School Christmas Pageant.

The Youth Group will once again be collecting and delivering Christmas hampers on behalf of the Christmas Cheer Board. We will be providing Christmas Cheer to two inner city families. Particulars on the families not yet provided. An announcement will be made to the congregation on Nov 26<sup>th</sup> and we will start collecting donations on Dec.3<sup>rd</sup> with delivery of hampers to be on Dec 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Stewardship:** Circulated/Oral

Fundraising:

The Quiz night was sold out with revenue being \$3572.06. Lots of favorable comments received so would consider holding next fall.

Mordens chocolates:

Still need lots of orders to come in to meet last year's revenue.

Fundscript:

Currently have \$6000.00 in orders.

Meat sale:

Final order date is Nov 26<sup>th</sup>.

Financial:

As of Nov 5<sup>th</sup>, the status of our special appeal is \$8100.00.

Property and Maintenance:

The handicap ramp is starting to shift away from the building, so will require releveling which will be done in the spring.

### **Stewardship Campaign:**

Pledges and talent forms are slow coming in. After last Sunday Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, our pledge amount is at \$42,520.00.

Clayton commented that there is a Christian group enquiring about renting space at NKUC and he will follow up with them.

### **Communication:** Oral

Newsletter to go out the first week in December. Send items to Sheron by Dec 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **M&P:** Circulated/Oral

Rev. Susan will be providing pastoral care and emergency coverage for Rev. Schau (Atlantic Garden City) for a 10-day period this month. This is reciprocal coverage given that Rev. Schau provided same in July while Rev. Susan was on vacation.

The committee will meet with Rev. Susan again in the new year or as needed.

### **Nominating:** Circulated/Oral

After contacting NKUC committee chairs, the Nominating Committee met on November 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss vacancies on the committees. Presently we are looking at possible candidates for these positions and expect to complete the process within the next 2 weeks.

Board needs to elect Prairie to Pine representative before the Annual report.

### **Outreach & Mission:** Oral

O&A will assist with the Cheer Board Hampers outreach by the Youth Group.

### **Pastoral Care:** Circulated/Oral

Visits continue both in person and by telephone, depending on the situation.

Updates provided via church news on a weekly basis.

Next meeting planned for November 29<sup>th</sup>

### **Worship Committee:** Circulated/Oral

Sheri Mazur and Kelly Nord were guests - possible new members of Worship Committee

Reviewed Worship Committee responsibilities; policies (Baptism, Wedding Funerals)

Study Group looking at Matthew, Mark, Luke and John the Christmas story

Nov 12<sup>th</sup>- Service of Peace and Remembrance

Nov 25<sup>th</sup>- Christmas Decorating

Nov 26<sup>th</sup>- first Sunday of Advent Communion Sunday

Christmas Eve Service 4 p.m.

New membership/transfers into NKUC will be looked at in January 2024

Sunny Sunday Jan 28<sup>th</sup> – Mexico

### **UCW:** Circulated/Oral

A meeting was held October 16<sup>th</sup>.

Invitations and posters for the UCW Bazaar to be held on Nov 18<sup>th</sup> were distributed.  
Congregation is invited to donate baking, crafts, deli items, frozen dinners, and items for the kids touch and take table.  
Members will be asking for volunteers closer to the date of the Bazaar.  
Date of the next meeting is November 20<sup>th</sup>.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM May 2, 2023 MINUTES**

The Boards vote on the Remit authorized by the 44<sup>th</sup> General Council was submitted.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The date for NKUC AGM will be March 10<sup>th</sup> 2024.  
Del will check with Wilma before the next meeting to see when the deadline for reports would be.

**Date of Next Meeting: December 5, 2023**

**Closing Prayer:** Rev. Susan Reed

**Adjourned:** 7:35

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Del Sexsmith (Chair)

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Karen Kearney, Secretary